

JOURNAL AND REPORTS

OF THE

IOWA

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OF THE

Methodist Episcopal Church,

FOR THE YEAR 1874.

HELD AT BLOOMFIELD, IOWA, SEPT. 16-21, 1874.

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I. OFFICERS OF THE CONFERENCE, ETC.

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III. EXAMINING COMMITTEES.

FIRST YEAR—J. B. Hill, G. W. Byrkit, C. L. Stafford.

SECOND YEAR—N. Wells, C. S. Cooper, C. L. Jennis.

THIRD YEAR—W. G. Wilson, I. O. Kemble, D. Murphy.

FOURTH YEAR—J. G. Barton, J. W. Chaffin, C. B. Clark.

TO EXAMINE FOR ADMISSION ON TRIAL AND LOCAL ORDERS—T. Stephenson, J. W. Cheney, C. P. Reynolds.

IV. TRIERS OF APPEALS.

R. B. Allender, G. N. Power, I. N. Busby, J. B. Blakeney, J. B. Hardy, J. G. Thompson, E. H. Waring.

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For One Year—Rev. I. A. Bradrick, Rev. W. F. Cowles, H. Ambler, G. Sweny, C. Snider, W. I. Babb.

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VISITORS TO GARRETT BIBLICAL INSTITUTE.

John Wheeler, D. D., Rev. W. F. Cowles.

II. DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

QUESTION 1.—Have any entered this Conference by transfer or re-admission?

ANSWER.—By transfer: Charles S. Cooper, an Elder, from Missouri Conference; Stephen R. Ferguson, a Deacon, from Des Moines Conference; J. C. W. Coxe, an Elder, from Vermont Conference.—3.

QUESTION 2.—Who are admitted on trial?

ANSWER.—Augustus J. Belknap, Lafayette C. Carroll, W. N. Groome, Wm. S. Hurt, Andrew Kershaw, Wilson Stark, Dennis A. Waters, G. W. F. Willey.—8.

QUESTION 3.—Who remain on trial?

ANSWER.—R. A. Carnine, L. O. Housel, James Hunter, A. C. Keeler, A. V. Kendrick, J. T. McFarland, C. H. Montgomery, H. F. Pugh, H. E. Wing.—9.

QUESTION 4.—Who are admitted into full connection?

ANSWER.—A. V. Francis, A. R. Jones, E. P. Michener, C. R. Norton.—4.

QUESTION 5.—Who are the Deacons of the first class?

ANSWER.—S. R. Ferguson, A. V. Francis, A. R. Jones, E. P. Michener, C. R. Norton.—5.

QUESTION 6.—Who are the Deacons of the second class?

ANSWER.—M. Bamford, J. E. Corley, B. F. Kearns, D. T. Monroe, W. E. Patterson, J. P. Rice, E. Sampson.—7.

QUESTION 7.—Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?

ANSWER.—D. C. Bevan, J. L. King, T. C. Miller, J. R. Noble, John Potter, C. L. Stafford, W. G. Wilson.—7.

QUESTION 8.—Who are the Supernumerary preachers?

ANSWER.—John Burgess, M. Carrier, John Elrod, J. Gassner, James Haynes, S. Hestwood, P. F. Holtzinger, J. M. Rankin.—8.

QUESTION 9.—Who are the Superannuated preachers?

ANSWER.—E. H. Coddington, John Hayden, B. Holland, A. W. Johnson, J. H. McCutchen, J. McDowell, R. S. Robinson, H. Runyan, A. W. Stryker, L. C. Woodford.—10.

QUESTION 10.—Was the character of each preacher examined?

ANSWER.—Their names were called in open Conference.

QUESTION 11.—Have any located?

ANSWER.—T. Dixon, J. W. Maxon, Adam Miller, B. A. Wright, E. H. Winans.—5.

QUESTION 12.—Have any withdrawn?

ANSWER.—None.

QUESTION 13.—Have any been transferred, and to what Conference?

ANSWER.—A. P. Morrison, to Southern Illinois Conference; Abner Orr, W. M. Brown and Wilson Stark, to Missouri Conference.—4.

QUESTION 14.—Have any been expelled?

ANSWER.—None.

QUESTION 15.—Have any died?

ANSWER.—*Ministers.*—BISHOP THOMAS A. MORRIS was born near Charleston, West Virginia, April 23, 1794. In his nineteenth year, under the preaching of Rev. David Young, at a camp meeting, he was induced to determine to live a religious life, and soon after obtained a clear sense of pardon and adoption. April 2, 1814, he was licensed to preach, and the next year began his itinerancy as a supply on Marietta Circuit, Ohio. In 1816 he entered the Ohio Conference on trial, in which Conference he graduated to full connection and Elder's orders. His first ministry was spent in Ohio and Kentucky. In 1834 he entered upon the duties of Editor of the *Western Christian Advocate*, which position he filled with ability for two years. In 1836 he was elected and consecrated Bishop. In this high position, his administration was marked by distinguished faithfulness, wisdom and discretion. In 1839, when presiding in the Illinois Conference, with a keenness of observation and clearness of judgment with respect to the grand future opening to Methodism in Iowa, not shared in apparently by his official advisers, and against their counsel, he formed the first Iowa District, calling for "the names of creeks, groves, settlements, anything that would indicate the location of new comers," and thus making up the meagre list of appointments. And the result fully justified the foresight of the Bishop. In 1844, at Iowa City, the Bishop, in obedience to the action of the General Conference, met the traveling preachers of the Iowa work, and held the first session of the Iowa Conference. He also presided in the sessions of this Conference of 1845, 1854 and 1858. Of large person and intelligent appearance, he was possessed of excellent powers of mind and heart. He had genial humor and keen wit, was reserved in conversation and manners, and had an accurate knowledge of men. His sermons were short, clear and systematic. Since the General Conference of 1864, on account of his age and infirmities, he has been released from active Episcopal work. His life of long continued labor, deep piety and extensive usefulness, was closed in great peace, at Springfield, Ohio, September 2, 1874, in the 81st year of his age, and the sixtieth of his ministry.

We have reasons for gratitude to the Great Head of the Church for the grace that crowned the life of our venerable father and superintendent, and rejoice in his final triumph, trusting that we shall meet him again in the presence of the Great Shepherd and Bishop of souls, who will finally exalt and glorify all his faithful servants.

REV. GEORGE W. FRIEND was born February 21st, 1818, in Green Brier County, Virginia, and died of typhoid fever, in Lexington, Washington County, Iowa, on October 21st, 1873, aged 55 years and eight months.

In his seventeenth year he was converted, and joined the M. E. Church. In 1849 he was licensed to preach in Indiana. He was ordained Deacon in 1853, by Bishop Janes, and Elder by Bishop Simpson, in 1859. In 1841 he was married to Miss Ryan, of Clark County, Indiana; and in 1855, having removed to Iowa, he joined the Iowa Annual Conference on trial, to which he was admitted to full connection in 1857.

His appointments have been as follows: 1855, Crawfordsville; 1856 and 1857, Blue Grass; 1858 and 1859, Grandview; 1860, Libertyville; 1861 and 1862, Troy; 1863 and 1864, Lebanon; 1865 and 1866, Winchester; 1867 and 1868, Millersburg; 1869 and 1870, Richmond; 1871, Grandview; 1872 and 1873, Lexington.

About four weeks after his return to Lexington from our last Conference, he was prostrated by disease. During his active ministry he never turned aside from his one work, and was never without success. He was not a brilliant speaker, but was calm, forcible, clear and logical, sound in doctrine, and having the confidence of all who knew him.

Our deceased brother enjoyed the blessing of perfect love for about the period of sixteen years before his death, and fully exemplified it in his deportment everywhere, and died with his love and faith strong in God. His death has taken from our midst one of the most exemplary members of the Iowa Annual Conference, and has occasioned an irreparable loss to his bereaved wife and deeply afflicted family.

REV. BENJAMIN WARDER GORTNER, was born in Green County, Ohio, May 22, 1849, died at Keota, Washington county, Iowa, August 21, 1874. He entered the Iowa Conference on trial in the fall of 1872, and was appointed to Pleasant Valley, and in 1873, to Keota, where he died. He was converted, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1870, and from that time consecrated himself wholly to the work of the Master.

He was of unblemished character, and fine abilities, and earnestly labored to become thorough and perfect in the work of the ministry.

His life was short, his end peaceful and triumphant. Though delirious most of the time of his illness, his lucid moments were full of hope. He was fully aware of his approaching end, and spoke of it to his weeping companion.

In his death, the Conference has lost a most promising young minister, society a most exemplary member, and his family an affectionate husband and father.

Ministers' Wives.—MRS. JOSEPHINE, wife of Rev. J. P. RICE, was born in Decatur County, Indiana, in 1852. She was early nurtured in the ways of the Lord, and sought the Saviour and joined the Church in her twelfth year. She kept the end steadily in view. When eighteen, she was married to our brother Rice. Her diary gives evidence of the spirituality of her mind, and her devotion to the work of the Church. She was a great sufferer, but as she neared home, though the body became weaker, she had clearer views of heavenly things. Jesus, heaven, home, filled her thoughts. The day she died, she said "I am at the Golden Gates;" and as weeping friends gathered round her bed, she exclaimed, "I am at the bottom of the hill, climbing; climbing," and immediately ascended to her rest. Her death occurred at Martinsburgh, Iowa, October 20th, 1873.

MRS. JENNIE F.; wife of Rev. I. N. BUSBY, was born in Harrison County, Ohio, December, 1841, and died in Newton, Jasper County, Iowa, August 20th, 1874.

Being the child of pious parents, she was early led to seek the Saviour, and in 1858, was converted, and united with the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In 1866, she was united in marriage with I. N. Busby.

During her entire christian life, she constantly exhibited the characteristics of a truly christian woman, faithfully accompanying her husband to the various fields to which he was assigned, and most cheerfully sharing his trials and assisting to bear his burdens, and both by word and act, cheering his heart and strengthening his hands for successful work in the Master's vineyard.

During her long and painful illness, her faith did not fail, and when her end came, she was "ready to be offered."

She leaves behind her, a husband and two children.

QUESTION 16.—What is the statistical report?

ANSWER—See statistical tables.

QUESTION 17.—What are the claims upon the Conference funds?

ANSWER—See Steward's report.

QUESTION 18.—What has been received on the foregoing claims, and how has it been applied?

ANSWER.—See Steward's report.

QUESTION 19.—Have any local preachers been ordained?

ANSWER 1.—*Deacons*—Lafayette C. Carroll, Benjamin Casey, Daniel D. Downs, Loyal D. Hotchkiss, James Hunter.—5.

ANSWER 2.—*Elders*—None.

QUESTION 20.—Are any of our Literary or Theological Institutions under the control and patronage of the Conference, and what is their condition?

ANSWER.—The Iowa Wesleyan University. For its condition see reports of the Trustees and Committee on Education.

QUESTION 21.—Who are the Conference Board of Church Extension?

ANSWER.—See list of Officers and Managers of Conference Societies.

QUESTION 22.—Where are the preachers stationed?

ANSWER—[N. B.—*Elders in italics.*]

BURLINGTON DISTRICT—I. A. BRADICK, P. E.

Burlington—Division Street.....	J. C. W. Coxe.
Burlington—Old Zion.....	J. B. Blakeney.
Burlington—South Burlington.....	J. G. Barton.
Burlington Circuit.....	A. Robinson.
Ainsworth.....	O. C. Shelton.
Canaan.....	T. E. Corkhill.
Columbus City.....	E. J. Pike.
Coneville.....	E. W. Twining.

Danville.....	G. W. Byrkit.
Dodgeville.....	[to be supplied.]
Fort Madison.....	C. P. Reynolds.
Kossuth.....	M. Bamford.
Marshall.....	J. C. Kendrick.
Morning Sun.....	J. R. Noble.
Mt. Pleasant Circuit.....	I. P. Teter.
New London.....	J. R. Reasoner.
Wapello.....	A. J. Belknap.
West Point.....	Jesse Craig.
Winfield.....	N. Wells.

KEOKUK DISTRICT—JOHN HAYNES, P. E.

Keokuk—Chatham Square.....	W. H. H. Pillsbury.
Keokuk—First Church.....	S. S. Murphy.
Bentonsport.....	W. H. H. Smith.
Birmingham.....	O. P. Light.
Bloomfield.....	E. L. Schreiner.
Bonaparte.....	A. W. Haines.
Cincinnati and Jerome.....	John Orr, M. Harnel supply.
Drakeville.....	L. C. Carroll.
Independent.....	W. E. Patterson.
Keosauqua.....	C. S. Cooper.
Lebanon.....	George Swanston.
Milton.....	S. H. Thomas.
Montrose.....	James Hunter.
Moulton.....	R. A. Carnine.
Troy.....	J. W. Cheney.
West Grove and Stiles.....	R. B. Allender.
Winchester.....	C. H. Montgomery.

MT. PLEASANT DISTRICT—W. F. COWLES, P. E.

Mt. Pleasant—Asbury.....	J. A. Wilson.
Mt. Pleasant—Main Street.....	D. Murphy.
Agency City.....	J. B. Hill.
Batavia.....	J. P. Rice, W. N. Groom.
Brighton.....	G. H. Clark.
Fairfield—Church St.....	H. E. Wing.
Fairfield—Harmony.....	W. J. Spaulding.
Fairfield Circuit.....	J. H. Miller.
Keota.....	John Davis.
Lexington.....	W. Poston.
Martinsburgh.....	J. T. Coleman.
Richland.....	W. I. Miller.
Salem.....	J. S. Ferguson, J. L. King.
Sigourney.....	J. G. Thompson.
Washington.....	J. W. Chaffin.
Webster.....	H. F. Pugh.
Iowa Wesleyan University, John Wheeler, President, G. W. F. Willey, Professor, —members of Main Street Q. C.	

MUSCATINE DISTRICT—J. C. BROWN, P. E.

Muscatine.....	J. W. McDonald.
Muscatine Circuit.....	R. Stephenson.
Blue Grass.....	J. B. Hardy.
Grandview.....	D. A. Waters.

Kosta.....	<i>R. J. Kenyon.</i>
Lone Tree.....	<i>L. O. Housel.</i>
Marengo.....	<i>D. C. Smith.</i>
Millersburgh.....	<i>J. T. McFarland.</i>
North Liberty.....	<i>D. C. Bevan.</i>
Pleasant Hill.....	<i>A. V. Francis.</i>
Richmond.....	<i>B. F. Kearns.</i>
Sweetland Center.....	<i>C. S. Jennis.</i>
Tiffin.....	<i>T. C. Miller.</i>
Victor.....	<i>S. Hestwood, supply.</i>
West Liberty.....	<i>A. McClintock.</i>
Williamsburg.....	<i>W. H. Honn.</i>
Wilton.....	<i>E. L. Briggs.</i>

OSKALOOSA DISTRICT—B. MARK, P. E.

Oskaloosa—First Church.....	<i>C. B. Clark.</i>
Oskaloosa—Simpson.....	<i>C. L. Stafford.</i>
Oskaloosa—Wesley.....	<i>T. J. Marshall, supply.</i>
Brooklyn.....	<i>W. G. Wilson.</i>
Eddyville and Beacon.....	<i>E. Sampson.</i>
Grinnell.....	<i>L. P. Causey.</i>
Kellogg.....	<i>J. M. Coats.</i>
Lynnville.....	<i>S. R. Ferguson.</i>
Malcom.....	<i>E. P. Michener.</i>
Montezuma.....	<i>W. G. Thorn.</i>
New Sharon.....	<i>C. Morey.</i>
Newton.....	<i>I. N. Busby.</i>
Newton Circuit.....	<i>J. W. Robinson.</i>
North Newton Circuit.....	<i>J. E. Corley.</i>
Pella and Otley.....	<i>U. B. Smith, A. Kershaw.</i>
Peoria.....	<i>B. F. Shane.</i>
Springfield.....	<i>A. V. Kendrick, A. C. Keeler.</i>
Union.....	<i>W. S. Hurt.</i>

OTTUMWA DISTRICT—G. N. POWER, P. E.

Ottumwa—First Church.....	<i>J. T. Simmons.</i>
Ottumwa—Main Street.....	<i>T. Stephenson.</i>
Ottumwa Mission.....	<i>John Armistead, supply.</i>
Albia.....	<i>I. O. Kemble.</i>
Albia Circuit.....	<i>A. R. Jones.</i>
Attica.....	<i>John Harris.</i>
Bellefontaine.....	<i>J. M. Mann.</i>
Cedar.....	<i>M. See.</i>
Centreville.....	<i>D. B. Smith.</i>
Chillicothe.....	<i>John Potter.</i>
East Melrose.....	<i>L. S. Ashbaugh.</i>
Hamilton.....	<i>C. W. Shepherd.</i>
Kirkville.....	<i>T. J. Myers.</i>
Knoxville.....	<i>E. H. Waring.</i>
Knoxville Circuit.....	<i>Geo. Nulton.</i>
Marysville.....	<i>D. T. Monroe.</i>
Unionville.....	<i>C. R. Norton.</i>

QUESTION 23.—When and where shall the next Conference be held?

ANSWER.—At Chatham Square, Keokuk. Time not fixed.

III. JOURNAL OF THE CONFERENCE.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE THIRTY-FIRST SESSION OF THE IOWA ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE M. E. CHURCH.

FIRST DAY.

BLOOMFIELD, IOWA, WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 16, 1874—9 A. M.

After a service of prayer and experience, conducted by Rev. J. B. Hardy, in the Bloomfield M. E. Church, the Bishop, Rev. Gilbert Haven, called the Conference to order; and after reading selections from Isaiah LIII., and Luke XXII., he announced the hymn, beginning—

“When I survey the wondrous cross.”

After the singing, the Bishop proceeded, assisted by the Presiding and other Elders, to the administration of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

At the close of the sacrament, the Bishop read some scripture selections, and announced the hymn, beginning—

“And are we yet alive?”

After the hymn was sung, the Bishop led in prayer.

E. H. Waring was then re-elected Secretary of the Conference.

The roll being called, the following members answered to their names, viz: R. B. Allender, M. Bamford, J. G. Barton, D. C. Bevan, J. B. Blakeney, I. A. Bradrick, E. L. Briggs, J. C. Brown, W. M. Brown, I. N. Busby, G. W. Byrkit, L. P. Causey, J. W. Chaffin, J. W. Cheney, C. B. Clark, J. T. Coleman, T. E. Corkhill, J. E. Corley, W. F. Cowles, John Davis, John Elrod, J. S. Ferguson, Joseph Gassner, A. W. Haines, J. B. Hardy, John Harris, John Haynes, J. B. Hill, B. Holland, P. F. Holtzinger, W. H. Honn, C. S. Jennis, A. W. Johnson, B. F. Kearns, I. O. Kemble, J. C. Kendrick, R. J. Kenyon, J. L. King, O. P. Light, A. McClintock, J. W. McDonald, J. M. Mann, B. Mark, J. H. Miller, T. C. Miller, W. I. Miller, D. F. Monroe, C. Morey, A. P. Morrison, D. Murphy, S. S. Murphy, T. J. Myers, J. R. Noble, George Nulton, A. Orr, John Orr, W. E. Patterson, E. J. Pike, W. H. H. Pillsbury, W. Poston, John Potter, G. N. Power, J. R. Reasoner, C. P. Reynolds, J. P. Rice, A. Robinson, J. W. Robinson, E. Sampson, E. L. Schreiner, M. See, B. F. Shane, O. C. Shelton, C. W. Shepherd, J. T. Simmons, D. B. Smith, D. C. Smith, U. B. Smith, W. H. H. Smith, W. J. Spaulding, C. L. Stafford, T. Stephenson, Geo. Swanston, I. P. Teter, S. H. Thomas, J. G. Thompson, W. G. Thorn, E. W. Twinning, E. H. Waring, N. Wells, J. Wheeler, J. A. Wilson, W. G. Wilson, B. A. Wright.—93.

A motion prevailed, that the Secretary appoint his own assistants; and he appointed G. N. Power and H. E. Wing, Assistant Secretaries; C. L. Stafford, B. F. Shane and G. W. Byrkit, Statistical Secretaries; and J. W. Cheney, Recording Secretary.

The following committees were then appointed, viz:

Auditing Committee—O. P. Light, W. M. Brown, J. E. Corley.

Book Accounts—G. W. Byrkit, W. H. H. Smith, A. P. Morrison, W. J. Spaulding, I. N. Busby, A. McClintock, I. O. Kemble.

Church Extension—Officers and Managers of the Iowa Conference Church Extension Society.

Domestic Missions—The Presiding Elders.

Education—C. P. Reynolds, G. N. Power, D. Murphy, W. G. Wilson, E. L. Briggs, T. Stephenson, I. P. Teter. J. Wheeler was added to the committee, and appointed to act as chairman.

Freedmen—J. Craig, S. S. Murphy, J. W. Robinson.

Memoirs—T. E. Corkhill, J. W. McDonald, E. L. Briggs.

Necessitous Cases—The Stewards.

New York Book Accounts—A. R. Jones.

Missionary Cause—The Officers and Managers of the Iowa Conference Missionary Society.

Periodicals—J. H. Miller, W. Poston, D. C. Smith, C. Morey, J. T. Simmons, W. H. H. Pillsbury, J. W. Chaffin.

Post Offices—T. C. Miller, J. C. Kendrick, C. R. Norton, J. Hunter, A. W. Haines, B. F. Kearnes, G. H. Clark.

Public Worship—R. B. Allender, I. O. Kemble.

Publication of the Journal—The Secretaries.

Publication Fund—J. B. Hardy, D. C. Bevan, U. B. Smith, D. T. Monroe, M. Bamford, J. S. Ferguson, W. I. Miller.

The Sabbath—J. G. Thompson, C. S. Jennis, J. T. Coleman.

Sale of Church Property—J. B. Blakeney, T. J. Myers, J. A. Wilson.

State of the Church—C. B. Clark, E. L. Schreiner, J. B. Blakeney, C. S. Cooper, J. P. Rice, O. C. Shelton, L. P. Causey.

State of the Country—J. R. Reasoner, G. W. Swanston, E. H. Waring, J. Gassner, J. M. Coates, J. M. Mann, J. T. Simmons.

Stewards of the Conference—J. G. Barton, C. S. Cooper, W. H. Honn, J. T. Simmons, L. O. Housel.

Sunday Schools—Officers and Managers of the Iowa Conference Sunday School Union.

Temperance—D. B. Smith, A. Orr, W. E. Patterson, H. E. Wing, E. W. Twining, G. Nulton, J. Harris.

Tracts—J. R. Noble, M. See, A. N. Francis.

R. Stephenson was appointed to collect the moneys of the Episcopal Fund.

E. H. Waring, Dr. Wheeler and W. J. Spaulding, were appointed to draft resolutions respecting the death of Bishop Morris.

J. W. McDonald, E. H. Waring, N. Wells, R. J. Kenyon and D. Murphy, were appointed to enquire and report respecting the expediency of legally incorporating the Conference and its auxiliary societies.

The Bishop and Presiding Elders were authorized to nominate Triers of Appeals.

The Report of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Iowa Wesleyan University, was read by the Secretary; and, on motion, so much as refers to the finances, was recommitted to the Board of Trustees, and the residue of the report was referred to the Committee on Education.

Dr. Kynett, Corresponding Secretary of the Parent Church Extension Society, and C. O. Edwards, representative of the Western Book Concern, were introduced to the Conference, and addressed the Conference respecting the interests under their charge.

The hour of meeting was fixed at 8.30 A. M., and of adjournment at 12 M.

The session closed by the expiration of time.

The Doxology was sung, and the Benediction pronounced by B. Mark.

SECOND DAY.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH, 1874, 8:30 A. M.

At the close of the service of prayer led by Rev. J. G. Barton, the Bishop called the Conference to order.

The minutes of the previous session were approved.

The list of absentees of yesterday was called, and L. S. Ashbaugh, S. Hestwood, and R. Stephenson, answered to their names. The further calling of the roll was dispensed with.

The return railroad tickets of the St. Louis, Kansas City and Northern R. R. were placed in the hands of E. L. Schreiner.

O. C. Shelton was appointed to receive the Bible collections.

J. R. Reasoner was released from the Committee on the State of the Country, and N. Wells appointed in his place.

D. C. Bevan was appointed an assistant Secretary of the Conference, and E. P. Michener was appointed to take his place on the Committee on Publication Fund.

W. J. Spaulding was appointed to receive the money for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

A circular from the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, relating to Temperance, was referred to the Committee on Temperance.

The Tenth Question, "Was the character of each preacher examined?" was taken up.

L. A. Bradrick, represented the Burlington District, and passed. The following preachers, being traveling Elders, were examined, their collections reported, and they were passed, viz: W. H. H. Pillsbury, J. B. Blakeney, J. G. Barton, A. Robinson, T. E. Corkhill, G. W. Byrkit, W. M. Brown, E. J. Pike, N. Wells, I. P. Teter, J. R. Reasoner, M. See, and A. Orr.

The following visiting ministers were introduced, viz: Rev'ds T. J. Terril, J. G. Thompson, S. N. Warner, and C. S. Cooper, of the Missouri Conference; Rev. J. G. Wilkinson, of the Upper Iowa Conference; T. M. Eddy D. D., Corresponding Secretary, of the Parent Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church; Rev. C. Layenby, of the Rock River Conference; and Rev. E. J. King, of the South Kansas Conference.

John Haynes reported the Keokuk District, and passed. J. W. Chaffin, S. S. Murphy, W. H. H. Smith, A. W. Haines, C. P. Reynolds, S. H. Thomas, J. W. Cheney, B. Holland, J. S. Ferguson, John Davis and G. Swanston were examined, and passed. There was no report of the collections of the two brethren last named.

W. F. Cowles reported the Mount Pleasant District, and passed. G. N. Power, A. P. Morrison, O. P. Light, Jesse Craig, G. H. Clark, J. H. Miller, E. H. Waring, W. I. Miller, J. T. Coleman, and John Wheeler were examined, and passed. There was no report of collections from Jesse Craig, G. H. Clark, and W. I. Miller.

J. C. Brown reported the Muscatine District, and passed. J. W. McDonald, R. Stephenson, O. C. Shelton, J. B. Hardy, E. W. Twining, W. Poston, C. S. Jennis, W. J. Spaulding, J. S. Rankin and D. Murphy were examined, and passed. G. W. Friend was reported deceased. There was no report of collections from E. W. Twining, W. J. Spaulding and J. S. Rankin.

On motion the Presiding Elders were requested to furnish written synopses of their reports to the Secretary, for the Conference Minutes.

Banner Mark reported the Newton District, and passed. I. N. Busby, J. W. Robinson, L. P. Causey, J. M. Coats, G. Nulton, W. H. Honn D. C. Smith, W. G. Thorn, and R. J. Kenyon were examined, and passed.

J. B. Hill reported the Oskaloosa District, and passed. C. B. Clark, John Harris, T. J. Myers, C. Morey, J. M. Mann, A. McClintock, E. L. Briggs, J. G. Thompson, U. B. Smith, B. F. Shane and J. C. Kendrick were examined and passed. J. M. Mann made no report of collections.

R. B. Allender reported the Ottumwa District, and passed. J. T. Simmons, E. L. Schreiner, Ira O. Kemble, J. A. Wilson, John Orr, C. W. Shepherd and D. B. Smith, were examined, and passed. There was no report of collections from C. W. Shep-

herd. T. Stephenson reported his collections. A complaint against him was referred to a Committee of Enquiry, to be appointed by the Chair.

The report of the Committee on Education, (No. 1,) was taken up, read, and adopted; recommending the adoption of the amended Articles of Incorporation of the Iowa Wesleyan University.

The amended Articles of Incorporation of the Iowa Wesleyan University, were then taken up and read.

On motion of W. F. Cowles, the seventh Article was amended, so as to read as follows, viz: "These Articles may be amended at any time, upon one month's notice, in writing, to the said Board of Trustees, through their Secretary, of such proposed amendments, by the concurrent action of the Trustees of said Iowa Wesleyan University, and the said Iowa Annual Conference, and other patronizing Conferences of said University; and in such further manner as may be prescribed by the laws of the State of Iowa;" and the amendment prevailed.

The amended Articles, as thus further amended, were then adopted.

Dr. T. M. Eddy addressed the Conference, regarding the Missionary interests of the Church.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Conference Committees furnish the Secretary with duplicate reports, plainly written on one side, for publication in the Conference Minutes; and such reports alone be received.

D. MURPHY,
GEORGE N. POWER.

The Committee of Enquiry in the case of T. Stephenson, was announced as follows, viz: J. B. Blakeney, J. T. Coleman, I. N. Busby, J. W. Chaffin, J. W. McDonald, C. B. Clark, J. T. Simmons.

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Conference then adjourned; and, after singing the doxology, was dismissed with the benediction by E. L. Briggs.

THIRD DAY.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1874.

The morning religious services were conducted by Rev. R. S. Robinson. At the close of these services, the Bishop called the Conference to order.

The Secretary reported that the Book Committee has apportioned one thousand dollars, to be raised next year by this Conference for the Episcopal Fund; and, on his motion, the Conference Stewards were directed to distribute the amount among the Districts of the Conference.

The Secretary read circulars from the Parent Sunday School Union, and the Tract Society, of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The first was referred to the Committee on Sunday Schools, and the second to the Committee on Tracts.

The report of the Book Committee was read, and the report and exhibit were referred to the Committee on Book Accounts.

The Third Question, viz: "Who remain on trial?" was considered.

The following brethren were examined as to character, studies and collections, viz: R. A. Carnine, L. A. Housel, J. Hunter, A. C. Keeler, A. V. Kendrick, J. T. McFarland, C. H. Montgomery, H. F. Pugh, H. E. Wing.

The Sixth Question, viz: "Who are Deacons of the Second Class?" was considered.

The following brethren were examined and passed, viz: M. Bamford, J. E. Corley, B. F. Kearns, D. T. Monroe, W. E. Patterson, J. P. Rice, E. Sampson.

The Seventh Question, viz: "Who have been elected and ordained Elders this year?" was considered.

The following brethren were examined, passed, and elected to Elder's orders, viz: D. C. Bevan, J. L. King, T. C. Miller, J. R. Noble, John Potter, C. L. Stafford, W. G. Wilson.

The Eighth Question, viz: "Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?" was taken up.

The following brethren were examined, passed and continued, viz: M. Carrier, John Elrod and James Haynes. L. S. Ashbaugh, P. F. Holtzinger and E. H. Wilians, were made effective. The cases of John Burgess, J. Gassner and B. A. Wright, were laid over for the present.

The Ninth Question was taken up, viz: "Who are the Superannuated Preachers?"

The following brethren were examined, passed and continued, viz: E. H. Coddington, John Hayden, A. W. Johnson, J. H. McCutchen, J. McDowell, R. S. Robinson, H. Runyan, A. W. Stryker. The cases of Thomas Dixon, J. W. Maxon, A. Miller and L. C. Woodford, were referred to a committee of five, to be appointed by the Chair, to enquire and report respecting their relation to the Conference. S. Hestwood was changed from the Superannuated to the Supernumerary relation.

A circular from the Garrett Biblical Institute, was referred to the Committee on Education.

The candidates for admission to full connection in the Conference were called forward by the Bishop, and addressed by him with regard to their work. The Disciplinary Questions were then propounded to the candidates, and being satisfactorily answered; the following brethren were examined as to their studies and work, and were admitted to full connection, viz: A. V. Francis, A. R. Jones, E. P. Michener, C. R. Norton. B. W. Gortner was reported deceased. W. A. Yingling was discontinued at his request.

The Report on Education, (No. 2,) was presented by D. Murphy, and read. On motion, it was amended by filling the vacancy in the class of the third year, with the name of James Harlan. E. H. Waring moved to adopt so much of the report as relates to trustees and visitors, and the motion prevailed. The residue of the report was then, on motion of W. F. Cowles, also adopted.

The Articles of Incorporation of the Educational Society of the Iowa Annual Conference, were then read and adopted. The Articles were recommitted to the committee, with instructions to fill the blanks, and to proceed to the legal incorporation of the Society.

The Committee of Enquiry in the case of T. Stephenson, reported as follows:

"We, your Committee of Enquiry in the case of brother Stephenson, would report that we find such a condition of things, and variety of statement, as necessitates a formal trial, in order to properly and finally adjust the case."

The Committee of Trial was ordered; and the Chair appointed, with the assent of the parties, the following persons as such committee, viz: E. H. Waring, President; R. J. Kenyon, E. L. Briggs, J. G. Thompson, R. S. Robinson, D. C. Smith, G. N. Power, W. G. Wilson, J. Potter, L. P. Causey, E. L. Schreiner, O. P. Light, J. A. Wilson, W. H. H. Pillsbury.

E. H. Waring, W. G. Wilson, W. F. Cowles, H. E. Wing and G. W. Byrkit, were appointed to prepare By-Laws for the Educational Society.

A committee of one from each District, was appointed to consider the propriety of erecting monuments at the graves of our deceased Ministers, and to take the necessary steps thereto, viz: J. G. Barton, J. W. Cheney, O. P. Light, John Elrod, J. W. Robinson, U. B. Smith and I. O. Kemble.

The Chair announced the following members of the committee to enquire respecting the relation of certain Superannuated Preachers, viz: I. P. Teter, T. E. Corkhill, R. Stephenson, G. W. Byrkit and D. Murphy.

The minutes were read and approved.

The memorial services, relating to the deaths of Bishop Morris and the ministers deceased in this Conference this year, were fixed for 11 A. M. of Saturday.

A paper on education, from the Cincinnati Conference, was referred to the Committee on Education.

The Conference then adjourned, the session being closed with the doxology, and benediction by J. G. Barton.

FOURTH DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1874.

At the close of the prayer meeting, led by W. G. Thorn, the Conference was called to order by Rev. W. F. Cowles.

A paper from the Ottumwa District Conference was read. The first resolution in the paper was adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That we recommend the Iowa Annual Conference to nominate the usual committees the session previous to which the reports are to be submitted; and no member shall be required to serve upon more than one committee.

The second resolution, relating to a Conference Convention at Mount Pleasant, was referred to the Committee on Education.

(Pending the consideration of this paper, the Bishop took the chair.)

T. E. Corkhill, W. J. Spaulding, and J. W. Chaffin were added to the Committee on the State of the Country. E. H. Waring was released from the committee, and I. P. Teter was appointed in his place.

The Nineteenth Question, viz: "Have any local preachers been ordained?" was taken up.

Lafayette C. Carroll, Benjamin Casey, Daniel D. Downs, James Hunter, and Loyal D. Hotchkiss were examined, represented, and elected to Deacon's orders.

B. Holland was superannuated, at his own request.

The transfer of Stephen R. Ferguson, a Deacon of the first year, from the Des Moines to this Conference, was announced by the Bishop.

A resolution of the Mount Pleasant District Conference, relating to the District Conference, was referred to a committee of five, to be appointed by the chair, to report at the next session of the Conference.

The Bishop reported to the Conference an appeal from the decision of the President of the Mount Pleasant District Conference, as follows:

BISHOP GILBERT HAVEN,

President Iowa Annual Conference.

REV. AND DEAR SIR:

At the Mount Pleasant District Conference, held at Fairfield, Iowa, October 28-30, 1873, on a motion to renew the license of Henry B. Barnes as a local preacher, the President, Rev. W. F. Cowles, pronounced an opinion, that the District Conference had authority to renew the license; from which decision of the chair the Conference appealed to you.

Very truly, &c.,

H. E. WING, Sec'y.

The Bishop decided the appeal not sustained.

R. S. Rust, D. D., of the Freedmen's Aid Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was introduced.

The case of B. A. Wright, a supernumerary preacher, was taken up. Explanations in the case were made by E. H. Winans, and M. H. Jones, Esq. The question of his relation to the Conference was referred to the special committee, previously appointed to consider questions of relation.

E. H. Waring presented the report of the committee of trial in the case of Thomas Stephenson, as follows:

"The undersigned committee in the case of T. Stephenson, having heard the testimony in the said case, under a charge of improper and unministerial conduct, have unanimously agreed that the specifications severally considered have not been sustained, and they recommend that his character pass.

[Signed.]

E. H. WARING, President.
GEO. N. POWER, Secretary.
And by the committee.

Bloomfield, Iowa, Sept. 19, 1874.

The character of Brother Stephenson was then passed.

The reports on Education Nos. II and III were severally read and adopted. (See reports.)

The Report on Education No. IV, was read.

On motion the ayes and nays were called on the first part of the report, relating to the proposed convention at Mount Pleasant; and the roll being called, the vote stood as follows:

Ayes: Allender, Ashbaugh, Bamford, Bevan, Blakeney, Bradrick, Briggs, J. C. Brown, W. M. Brown, Busby, Byrkit, Cheney, C. B. Clark, G. H. Clark, Coats, Coleman, Corkhill, Corley, Craig, Davis, J. S. Ferguson, S. R. Ferguson, A. V. Francis, Gassner, Hardy, Harris, Hestwood, Hill, Holland, Holtzinger, Jones, Kemble, Kenyon, Light, McDonald, McDowell, Michener, J. H. Miller, Monroe, D. Murphy, Noble, Norton, Nulton, A. Orr, John Orr, Pike, Potter, Power, Reasoner, Reynolds, J. W. Robinson, Sampson, Schreiner, Shane, Shelton, Shepherd, D. C. Smith, Spaulding, Stafford, R. Stephenson, Teter, Thomas, Waring, Wells, Wheeler, J. A. Wilson, W. G. Wilson, Winans, Wright.—69.

Nays: Cowles, Elrod, Haines, Hayden, John Haynes, Jennis, Kearnes, Kendrick, McClintock, Mark, W. I. Miller, Morey, Meyers, Patterson, Pillsbury, Poston, Rice, Simmons, D. B. Smith, U. B. Smith, W. H. H. Smith, Swanston, Thompson, Thorn.—24.

The residue of the members were absent.

The part of the report referred to was therefore adopted.

The second part of the report was laid upon the table.

Rev. E. Carr Condit, State Agent of the American Bible Society, was introduced, and addressed the Conference.

The parchments of W. M. Rodgers, a local Deacon, surrendered to the Presiding Elder of the Mount Pleasant District, were reported to the Conference, and placed on file.

✓ The transfer of Charles S. Cooper, an Elder, from the Missouri to the Iowa Annual Conference, was announced by the Bishop.

Rev. H. H. O'Neal, Secretary of the Des Moines Conference, and Rev. F. Harris, of the same Conference, were introduced.

R. S. Rust, D. D. addressed the Conference, with reference to the Freedmen's Aid Cause.

The order of the Day—the memorial service of deceased bretheren, was then taken up.

The Bishop announced the 958th hymn, beginning—

“And let this feeble body fail.”

After singing, the Secretary led in prayer.

E. H. Waring read the report of the committee appointed to prepare a notice of the death of Bishop Morris. Remarks were made respecting the deceased Bishop, by Rev'ds John Hayden, E. H. Waring, B. Holland, J. B. Hardy, Joseph McDonald, J. T. Simmons, C. Morey, Dr. Rust, and Bishop Haven,

At the request of N. Wells, all the members of the Conference who have been ordained Deacons or Elders by Bishop Morris, arose to their feet, fifteen of the members answering to the request.

The report respecting the death of Bishop Morris was then adopted by a rising vote.

The Committee on Memoirs reported as follows :

The memoir of Rev. G. W. Friend. Remarks relative to the deceased were made by W. F. Cowles, John Hayden, J. McDowell, J. C. Brown, and John Elrod. The memoir was then adopted.

The memoir of Rev. B. W. Gortner. Remarks were made by J. C. Brown, W. F. Cowles, John Elrod and John Potter. The memoir was then adopted.

The memoir of Josephine, wife of Rev. Joseph P. Rice, which was adopted.

The memoir of Jennie F., wife of Rev. I. N. Busby, which was adopted.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That we, the ministers of the Iowa Annual Conference, in conference assembled, hereby express our sympathy, and offer our prayers to our Heavenly Father, in behalf of Rev'ds Dr. Wheeler, and J. M. Mann, who have been called upon, under very afflicting circumstances, to resign into the arms of death, each a beloved son.

R. STEPHENSON.
I. A. BRADICK.

G. N. Power proceeded with appropriate readings from the form of burial.

The Conference united in singing the hymn, beginning—

“O, for the death of those
That slumber in the Lord.”

John Hayden and J. McDonald then led in prayer.

The Conference then adjourned, to meet at the close of the missionary sermon, in the afternoon.

The doxology having been sung, Rev. J. B. Hardy pronounced the benediction.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

SEPTEMBER 19, 1874—4 P. M.

At the close of the missionary sermon, preached by Rev. J. W. Chaffin, the Conference was called to order, Rev. J. T. Simmons, by appointment of the Bishop, in the chair.

The minutes were read and approved.

The bill of the Secretary, amounting to \$11.42, was approved, and a collection to meet the same was ordered; and Brothers Teter, Schreiner and Shepherd were appointed to collect the amount.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That a committee of three be constituted, to be appointed by the Bishop, to consider and report to the next session of the Conference, upon the best method of carrying out, within this Conference, the purposes of the General Conference regarding the Religious and Benevolent observance of the National Centenary.

E. H. WARING.
JOHN WHEELER.

The Steward's Report on Claims and Disbursements, was read and adopted. [See Report.]

The Steward's Report on Ministerial Support, was Read.

Connected with the Report, was the following resolution :

WHEREAS, The claims on the Conference Fund, are more than five times greater than the receipts from collections and Chartered Fund, combined; therefore

Resolved, That each preacher be required to state in open Conference, the amount of his collection for the Conference Fund; and, if he has not taken such collection, to give the reason why.

The resolution was adopted.

The distribution of the Bishop's Fund, made by the Stewards, was taken up as follows:

Burlington District.....	\$125.00
Keokuk "	115.00
Mt. Pleasant "	152.00
Muscatine "	152.00
Newton "	152.00
Oskaloosa "	152.00
Ottumwa "	152.00

This Distribution was adopted; and the report of the Stewards was also adopted. [See Report.]

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That each Presiding Elder be required to enquire at the first Quarterly Meeting what has been raised for Conference Claimants, and urge the taking of this collection.

O. P. LIGHT,
THOMAS E. CORKHILL.

The Committee on the Tract Fund filed a receipt for \$98.20, Tract Funds.

The Committee on Book Accounts made their report. The first resolution was read, and adopted. The second resolution was laid on the table. The report, as amended, was adopted.

The minutes were read and approved.

The session adjourned, Dr. Corkhill pronouncing the benediction.

FIFTH DAY.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1874—8:30 A. M.

The Conference was called to order, Bishop Haven in the Chair. The religious services were led by Rev. J. A. Wilson.

I. P. Teter reported in behalf of the committee in the cases of the relations of certain brethren. The recommendations of the committee, locating Thomas Dixon and J. W. Maxon, were adopted. Also, the recommendations of the committee in favor of continuing the relation of B. A. Wright and John Burgess, as Supernumeraries.

B. A. Wright, at his request, was located. The recommendation that L. C. Woodford be continued as a Superannuated Preacher, was adopted. The recommendation that Adam Miller's relation be continued, was taken up. An amendment that he be located, prevailed. The report of the committee, as amended, was then adopted.

E. H. Winans, was located at his request.

John Davis, G. Swanston, E. W. Twining, W. J. Spaulding, J. M. Mann and C. W. Shepherd, reported their collections.

The First Question: "Are any admitted on trial?" was taken up.

Augustus J. Belknap, Lafayette C. Carroll, W. N. Groom, William S. Hurt, Andrew Kershaw, Wilson Stark, Dennis A. Waters and G. W. F. Willey, were admitted.

Joseph Gassner's Superannuated relation was continued. P. F. Holtzinger's relation was changed from effective to Supernumerary.

O. C. Shelton reported Bible collections, amounting to \$331.58; and also a receipt from the State Bible Agent for the cash balance.

The Treasurer of the Iowa Conference Missionary Society presented his report, which was received, and ordered to be published. He also filed a receipt for Missionary funds, for \$6,409.04.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Presiding Elders be requested to continue to solicit the voluntary subscriptions of the Preachers toward the relief of the Iowa Wesleyan University, on the basis of the Conference action embraced in the report of the Committee on Education.

I. P. TETER,
R. STEPHENSON.

The Committee on Publication Fund reported. E. H. Waring moved to amend, by naming H. E. Wing as Financial Agent of the Publication Fund, and that the number of copies be 2,000. A further amendment, that the number be fixed at 1,000 copies prevailed, and the amendment, as amended, and the report were then adopted.

The Committee of Publication of last year, I. P. Teter, reported a deficiency of \$60.00 on the the account of publication; and a collection was taken for the same.

The following resolution was read and adopted:

Resolved, That we extend our thanks to the North Missouri Railroad Company, for their generosity in offering this body transportation over their line at reduced fair.

I. N. BUSBY,
A. McCLINTOCK,
C. B. CLARK.

The report on Temperance was read and adopted. The Bishop was authorized to appoint a delegate from this Conference, to the proposed National Temperance Convention.

A receipt for \$59.75, Sunday School Union money, was filed by D. C. Bevan.

The report on the State of the Church, was adopted.

The report on the Preacher's Aid Society, was adopted.

The report on Periodicals was read. A motion to strike out the recommendation to make the *Central Christian Advocate* the organ of the Conference, was laid on the table. The report was then adopted.

The Bishop made the following Certificate of Ordination, viz:

"This certifies that the following brethren were ordained by me to the office of Deacon, this twentieth day of September, 1874:

Lafayette C. Carroll, Benjamin Casey, Daniel D. Downs, Andrew V. Francis, Loyal D. Hotchkiss, James Hunter, Alvan R. Jones, Enoch P. Michener, Charles R. Norton.

Also the following persons as *Elders*:

Davis C. Bevan, James L. King, Thomas C. Miller, James R. Noble, John Potter, Charles L. Stafford, William G. Wilson.

G. HAVEN.

Bloomfield, Iowa, September 20, 1874.

The report of the Committee on the Incorporation of the Iowa Conference was adopted; and the articles accompanying the said report were also adopted. G. N. Power, E. L. Briggs, and I. O. Kemble were appointed to acknowledge and file the said articles.

The report on the State of the Country was adopted.

The report on Sabbath Schools was adopted.

The report on Freedmen's Aid Society was read. It was amended, by dividing the amount of apportionment equally to the Districts, and then, as amended, adopted.

The nominations of Officers and Managers of the Missionary, Church Extension and Sunday School Societies, and committees of Examination were adopted. Also the nomination of Triers of Appeals, as follows: R. B. Allender, G. N. Power, I. N. Busby, J. B. Blakeney, J. B. Hardy, J. G. Thompson, and E. H. Waring. (See Lists.)

The nominations for Officers and Managers of the Ladies' and Pastors' Aid Society were confirmed. (See Lists.)

The report on the sale of Church property was adopted.

The report of the Auditing Committee was adopted.

The report on the Sabbath was adopted.

J. W. McDonald, I. O. Kemble, and E. H. Waring were appointed to draft Rules of Order for the Conference, to report at the next session of the Conference.

The Committee on Episcopal Fund reported collections of \$403,61, with a receipt for the same.

Resolutions of thanks to the St. Louis, Kansas City and Northern R. R.; the Burlington and Southwestern R. R.; the citizens of Bloomfield; and Rev. I. O. Kemble, were severally adopted. (See Resolutions.)

W. J. Spaulding, reported \$245,31, collections for the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.

The Report on Statistics was read and adopted. The Secretary was authorized to complete the report.

The following persons were appointed Trustees of the Bentonsport Methodist Episcopal Church, held in trust by the Iowa Annual Conference for the said Bentonsport Society, viz: A. N. Stephens, G. W. Jack, James Bailey, Henry Gilbert, W. A. Trigg.

The motion by which the Conference resolved not to hear the report of the Treasurer of the Missionary Society read, was reconsidered, and C. W. Shepherd proceeded with the reading of the report.

The following committees were announced :

Committee to report on the best method of carrying out the plans of the General Conference with respect to the Celebration of the National Centenary: John Wheeler, W. F. Cowles, W. J. Spaulding.

Committee to consider and report upon the subject of District Conferences: B. Mark, G. N. Power, J. N. Chaffin, J. T. Simmons.

Delegate to the National Temperance Convention: I. O. Kemble; alternate J. B. Weaver.

The following report of the Tract Committee was adopted:

The Committee on the Tract Cause beg leave to submit the following Resolutions:

Resolved, 1st, That the general efficiency of our Tract Society is unquestionable; and we promise to present its claims to our people during the coming year.

Resolved, 2nd. That we earnestly recommend the distribution of the publications of this Society, consisting of tracts and religious books, as a method of doing good which is too much neglected among us.

J. R. NOBLE, Chairman.

On motion, Chatham Square, Keokuk, was fixed upon as the next place of meeting of the Conference.

A resolution prevailed that H. E. Wing shall send the minutes out by mail, at the expense of the preachers.

It was agreed to adjourn to meet at two o'clock P. M.

The minutes were read, and approved.

The session closed with the doxology, and the benediction by R. B. Allender.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1874—2 P. M.

The Conference met, with the Bishop in the chair.

The report of the Committee on Domestic Missions was adopted.

A receipt for \$618.11, Educational Fund, was filed by J. W. McDonald.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That this Conference express its high appreciation of the visit of our beloved Bishop, Gilbert Haven, D. D., among us; and of the great ability displayed by him as President and as preacher.

J. GASSNER.
W. F. COWLES.

The report of the Committee on Monuments was adopted.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That the Presiding Elder of the Keokuk District, and the pastor of the Keokuk Station be, and they are hereby appointed, a committee to prepare a programme of the services for the next Conference; and that we hereby express our opinion that the Conference Sabbath should be wholly reserved for preaching, and other specially spiritual services.

E. H. WARING.
A. ROBINSON.
I. A. BRADRICK.

The transfer of J. C. W. Coxe, from the Vermont to this Conference, was announced. A. P. Morrison was reported transferred to the Southern Illinois Conference; W. M. Brown was reported transferred to the Missouri Conference, and stationed at St. Johns. Wilson Stark was also reported transferred to the same Conference, and stationed at Sand Hill.

A draft on the Chartered Fund for \$30.00 was ordered by the Conference.

A motion to adjourn, after reading the appointments, prevailed.

The Bishop then proceeded to address the Conference. Selections of Scripture were read, and the hymn sung, beginning—

“And let our bodies part.”

J. B. Hill then led the Conference in prayer, closing with repetition, in concert with the Conference, of the Lord's Prayer.

The appointments were then read by the Bishop.

The doxology was sung, and the benediction pronounced by R. Stephenson.

GILBERT HAVEN, President.

E. H. WARING, Secretary.

G. N. POWER, } Assistants.

H. E. WING, }

J. W. CHENEY, Recording Secretary.

IV. REPORTS.

I. AUDITING COMMITTEE.

The Auditing Committee have examined the reports of the Presiding Elders and Secretary, and find them correct.

O. P. LIGHT, Pres. }
W. M. BROWN, } Com.
J. E. CORLEY. }

II. BOOK ACCOUNTS.

WHEREAS, We learn from our Book Agents that there are delinquent claims against members of this Conference, some of them of long standing; therefore

Resolved, That we urge the brethren who are delinquent to make proper effort to meet, as early as possible, every unsettled claim against them.

I. N. BUSBY, Sec'y.

G. W. BYRKIT, Ch'n.

III. CHURCH EXTENSION.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF CONFERENCE SOCIETY.

The Treasurer, Rev. L. P. Causey, filed his report in detail, of receipts and disbursements for the Conference Board of Church Extension. The totals of receipts by Districts were as follows :

Burlington.....	\$ 55 40
Keokuk.....	28 45
Mount Pleasant.....	101 80
Muscatine.....	68 13
Newton.....	31 95
Oskaloosa.....	20 60
Ottumwa.....	36 38
Unknown.....	1 00
Total.....	\$344 31
Collection at Anniversary.....	205 08
Grand Total.....	\$549 39
Forwarded to Bishop Andrews, for Hollow Rock, Tenn.....	\$100 00
" " Hitchcock & Walden.....	2 00
" " Treasurer of Parent Society.....	447 39
	\$549 39

L. P. CAUSEY, Treas.

IV. DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

The following appointments were constituted missions, and the following appropriations allowed, viz: Montrose, \$50.00; South Burlington, \$100.00; Muscatine Circuit, \$100.00; Springfield, \$100.00; Grinnell, \$100.00; Lynnvile, \$50.00; Moulton, \$50.00; Coneville, \$50.00;=\$600.00.

JOHN HAYNES, Sec'y.

W. F. COWLES, Ch'n.

Approved: G. HAVEN.

Bloomfield, Iowa, September 19, 1874.

V. EDUCATION.

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF TRUSTEES OF IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY—1873-74.

The general state of the University may be sufficiently inferred from the formal statistics for the year ending June 12th, 1874, to wit:

1—Name, Iowa Wesleyan University; 2—Grade, indicated by the name; 3—Location, Mount Pleasant, Iowa; 4—President, John Wheeler, D. D.; 5—Founded, as an Institute in 1844—as a University in 1855; 6—Number of Instructors, 15; 7—Whole number of students—Collegiate, 114; Preparatory, 44; Specialists, 41; Theological, 8, Law, 16; Medicine, 3; Technological, 72; Students for German College, 15=313; or, omitting those counted more than once, 217; 8—Number of graduates this year—Classical, 12; Scientific, 9=21. Total number of graduates, 217. 9—Number of graduates in the Ministry, 1; Total, 27. 10—Honorary degrees conferred (a) LL D. 2, (on Wm. B. Silber, of New York, and Hon. M. B. Walker, of Texas,) (b) D. D. 1, (on Rev. J. B. Merwin, of New York,) (c) Dr. Th. 1, (on Wray Beattie.) 11—Value of buildings, grounds and furniture, \$50,000.00. 12—Endowment, productive, \$53,595.90; non-productive, \$8,201.49. Total, \$61,797.39. 13—Volumes in Libraries, (a) University Library, 1660 volumes; Society Libraries, 1200 volumes =2860 volumes. 14—Value of apparatus, \$4,500.00. 15—Number of specimens in cabinet, 3,025. 16—Income from tuition, \$413.50; from other sources, \$5,515.77=\$5,929.27. 17—Indebtedness, \$3,715.00. 18—Patronizing Conference, Iowa. 19—Time of Commencement, etc., June 7—16, 1875.

With reference to the Educational progress of the University during the year, I leave your Visitors to report.

The Board found the University buildings and grounds in an improved and satisfactory condition, for which credit should be especially given to Dr. Wheeler and the College Aid Society of Mt. Pleasant. The Museum, which has received very valuable additions during the year, in its scientific classification and complete and tasteful arrangement, reflects great credit upon the superior skill and scientific knowledge of the Professor of Geology and Natural History, Moses Bayles, A. M. The means of illustration have been largely increased, and the condition of the apparatus of the University, under the care of the talented Professor of Natural Science, J. M. Mansfield, A. M., is very good.

The Board of Trustees and Visitors, met June 12th, 1874, in their regular annual session. The officers of the Board were re-elected, as follows: President, Rev. W. F. Cowles; Vice President, Dr. W. Bird; Secretary, Rev. E. H. Waring; Financial Secretary, Rev. E. L. Briggs, and Treasurer, C. Snider. Subsequently, C. Snider tendered his resignation as Treasurer and member of the Executive Committee, which was accepted, to take effect at the close of the current Conference year.

The Executive Committee appointed were: Rev. A. Robinson, Chairman, Rev. G. N. Power, Secretary, W. Bird, W. F. Cowles, E. L. Penn, C. Snider, I. P. Teter.

The Board, through its Committee, reviewed all the interests of the University. They felt urged to the utmost economy in the administration of the financial affairs of the University, owing to certain liabilities existing against the Institution, and their action was, as far as possible, in the direction of retrenchment. The Board, hearing of the donation of valuable lands to the University by Rev. J. C. Brown and Peter Jackson, of Muscatine, adopted appropriate resolutions of thanks; and also took appropriate notice of the recent demise of Hon. J. C. Hall, of Burlington, one of the founders of the Institution.

Convinced of the necessity of greater care in the management of the real estate of the University, they directed the Executive Committee to appoint some person to make a list of the real estate of the University, and to enter the same in a book, to be kept for the purpose, with the descriptions of the same, and notices of transfers, etc., and to have charge, under the direction of the Executive Committee, of any matters pertaining to the real estate of the University.

The Board also carefully reviewed the Articles of Incorporation of the University, and adopted certain amended Articles. These, under the existing laws of the State, must be also adopted and approved by you, as the patronizing Conference; and to this end the Trustees have directed me to report them to you. They will be found accompanying this report.

The Trustees also inquired into the matter of the German College, in its relations to the University. They are glad to state that the building, which is neat and substantial, is rapidly approaching completion. There had been collected and paid out in the German College building, up to June 24th, \$6,723.60. The total cost of the building is estimated at \$8,500.

During the year a German School, in connection with the German College, has been taught in the University, under the care of Prof. Willey, and the examination and exhibition of the School were exceedingly creditable and interesting.

Under the arrangements by which two German-English classes are to be kept up in the German College, to which the students of the University will have the right of admission on the same terms as for extra courses in the University, there will be great advantages to be enjoyed by parties desiring instruction in the German Language and Literature. Already the German College has a secured Endowment of \$20,000.00. A part of this consists of the note of the University for \$8,000.00, which obligation was given with the understanding that the amount has to be raised among the Germans, with such aid as others might be induced to give. But until raised it exists in the shape of an obligation against the University. On this note a subscription of \$500.00 has been secured, so that the net liability is now \$7,500.00. The interest on the note (at 8 per cent.,) was arranged for by individuals for the last year, but for the coming year it must be provided for in some other way.

It is expected and hoped that the two affiliated Institutions will prove of great benefit to each other. Should the German College prove what it is expected, it must greatly enlarge the power and usefulness of the University.

The Board regret that, owing to the ill health of the late Preceptress, Miss Penelope E. Ambler, they were compelled to forego her valuable services to the University. Mrs. Belle Mansfield, A. M., a lady of fine culture and rare accomplishments, well known to the friends of the University, was chosen to fill the place.

In view of the heavy draft upon the contingent funds of the University, and the claims existing against it, the Trustees request you to direct your Educational collections for next year to the current expenses of the University. They also appointed a committee to draft a plan for your action, for an Educational Society within the bounds of this Conference, to which they wish you to give your careful attention.

The places of the following trustees will be vacant at your present session, viz: (by expiration of time,) Rev. G. N. Power, Rev. I. P. Teter, Rev. John Wheeler, Dr. W. Bird, Gen. J. I. Gilbert, (the latter having also failed to qualify.) In the class of the third year (by failure to qualify,) Hon. James Harlan. Should the amended articles be adopted by the Conference, you will also be entitled to add one Trustee to each of the four classes, the persons so added to be two ministers and two laymen.

FINANCES.

The following is the Treasurer's Report for the year ending June, 1874:

CONTINGENT FUND.

	DR.	CR.
By cash on hand as per last report.....		\$ 399 81
By amount received during the year.....		5,458 48
		<u>\$5,858 29</u>
To amount paid out, as per vouchers.....	\$5,827 41	
Cash on hand.....	30 88	<u>\$5,858 29</u>

ENDOWMENT GENERAL FUND, CR.

By amount of loans, as per report of last year.....	\$10,500 00
By cash received since.....	54 06
	<u>\$10,554 06</u>

PRESIDENT'S CHAIR.

	DR.	CR.
By amount loaned, as per report of last year.....		\$12,850 00
By Pacific R. R. Bond.....		1,000 00
By cash then on hand.....		431 08
By additional railroad bond received.....		228 90
By cash during the year.....		258 38
Total.....		<u>\$14,768 36</u>

To amount transferred to Alumni Professorship account.....	\$ 410 00
To amount of loans.....	12,850 00
To Pacific R. R. Bonds.....	1,228 90
To cash to balance.....	279 46— <u>\$14,768 36</u>

ALUMNAL PROFESSORSHIP.

	DR.	CR.
By amount transferred from President's Chair account.....		\$410 00
By cash from Miss Ambler.....		50 00
Total.....		<u>\$460 00</u>
To loans on mortgages.....	\$375 00	
To cash on hand.....	85 00— <u>\$460 00</u>	

The Treasurer also reports endowment notes placed in his hands by Rev. W. F. Cowles, amounting to \$1,355.00; and a deed for 320 acres of land in Kossuth County, Iowa, donated by Peter Jackson, Esq. Also, a note of Rev. D. Murphy for \$105.00; one of Rev. H. E. Wing for \$50.00, and one of Governor Carpenter for \$100.00; all for endowment purposes.

The liabilities of the University, as reported at the annual meeting, were as follows:

Balance due Professors.....	\$2,416 65
Balance due on Catalogues.....	140 00
Balance due on Wilcox Judgment.....	1,263 99
Sundry bills.....	170 00
Attorney's fees (claimed).....	500 00
	<u>\$4,490 64</u>
Deduct interest to be collected by July 1st.....	775 00
Total deficiency.....	<u>\$3,715 64</u>

The following is a summary of the Report of the Financial Secretary for the year ending June 12th, 1874:

I. ENDOWMENT FUNDS.

	Amounts bearing Interest	Not at Interest	Totals
<i>1. General Endowment.</i>			
Oliver Hoyt's bond.....	\$15,000 00		
Notes secured by mortgage.....	10,500 00		
Notes not secured.....	2,395 00		
Real Estate.....		\$ 3,200 00	
Notes in the form of bequests.....		4,500 00	
Cash on hand.....		183 11	
	\$27,895 00	\$ 7,883 11	\$35,778 11
<i>2. President's Chair.</i>			
Pacific R. R. Bonds.....	\$1,228 90		
Notes secured by mortgage.....	12,850 00		
Notes not secured.....	8,122 00		
Cash on hand.....		\$ 233 38	
	\$22,200 90	\$ 233 38	\$22,434 28
<i>3. Alumna Fund.</i>			
Notes secured by mortgage.....	\$ 375 00		
Notes not secured.....	3,125 00		
Cash on hand.....		\$ 85 00	
	\$ 3,500 00	\$ 85 00	\$ 3,585 00
Grand Totals.....	\$53,595 90	\$ 8,201 49	\$61,797 39

II. CONTINGENT FUND.

CONTINGENT FUND,		DR.	
To cash on hand, June, 1873.....		\$399 81	
" donations.....		18 00	
" educational collections before last Conference.....		122 32	
" incidentals.....		5 50	
" interest.....		3942 13	
" janitor's fees.....		957 00	
" temporary loan of Treasurer.....		71 01	
" tuition fees in special studies.....		413 50	
Total receipts.....		\$5,929 27	
CONTINGENT FUND,		CR.	
By amounts paid as follows:			
<i>Incidental Expenses, viz:</i>			
Catalogues.....		\$ 275 00	
Chemicals for Laboratory.....		119 53	
Commission on Drafts.....		50	
Fees for recording.....		6 05	
Freight on books, etc.....		3 95	
Fuel.....		230 05	
Furniture.....		28 22	
Gas bills.....		125 00	
Hall rents for Commencement.....		40 00	
Stamps and Stationery.....		9 62	
Taxes on Real Estate.....		9 80	
Total.....		\$ 847 72	
<i>Instruction, viz:</i>			
To President and Professors.....		\$4,215 95	
To Tutors.....		248 33	
		\$4,464 28	
Janitor's bills.....		247 82	
Repairs.....		112 97	
Temporary loan of Treasurer.....		71 01	
Traveling expenses of President and special Agents.....		154 62	
Total payments.....		\$5,898 42	
Total receipts.....		5,929 27	
Cash to balance.....		\$30 85	

The Financial Secretary reports the total cost of running the University for the year as follows:

For salaries	\$5,598 00
For current expenses.....	1,114 81
Total.....	6,712 81
Total receipts for the year.....	5,929 27
Deficit for this year.....	\$ 783 54

The Trustees hope for your hearty co-operation in devising and carrying out plans for meeting the liabilities and enlarging the resources of the College. They have ordered a special meeting of the Joint Board at the seat of your body, to occur on Friday, September 18th, at two o'clock P. M. And, if practicable, your action on the amended charter, is desired by that time, so that, if any further action of the Board upon it shall be necessary, it can be taken at that meeting.

E. H. WARING, Secretary,

Fairfield, Iowa, June 25th, 1874.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, NO. 1.

Your Committee to whom was referred the amended Articles of Incorporation of the Iowa Wesleyan University, would respectfully recommend their adoption as a whole.

J. WHEELER, Chairman.

D. MURPHY, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, NO. 2.

Your Committee would respectfully recommend the adoption of the following report: That Rev. G. N. Power, Rev. I. P. Teter, Prest. J. Wheeler, D. D., W. Bird, M. D., and Gen. J. I. Gilbert, be elected trustees to fill vacancies occasioned by expiration of time. To fill vacancy in the third year, Hon. James Harlan.

Additional trustees under the amended articles, viz: For four years A. M. Antrobus, A. M. For three years, Rev. W. J. Spaulding, D. Ph. For two years, Rev. Banner Mark. For one year, W. I. Babb, A. M.

We would also present for your most hearty adoption a report (see report,) presented to us by Rev. G. N. Power, one of a committee appointed by the Board of Trustees, to prepare Articles of Incorporation for an Iowa Annual Conference Educational Society; and that the following brethren, and as many more as may be appointed by the Conference, be the corporators, viz: Rev. G. N. Power, Rev. W. G. Wilson, Prest. J. Wheeler, D. D., W. F. Cowles, E. L. Briggs, D. Murphy, C. P. Reynolds, G. W. Byrkit, and B. Mark.

The greatest want of our Conference Educational Institution to-day, as heretofore, is, means to carry on the work. With suitable resources, books, apparatus, buildings, and an increase in teaching force, greater prosperity could soon be had. Believing that the ministers are devoted to this most important part of our work, and that the people are "willing hearted" to give, we recommend that each minister of this Conference, having an appointment, be invited to give a note to the Iowa Wesleyan University bearing lawful interest, for the purpose of liquidating the debts of the institution, or for increasing its endowment. The amount of the note to be indicated by the giver: Provided, and it is hereby understood; that the educational collection raised in the pastoral charge of the minister, shall be applied upon said note, until it is liquidated; and that in case of the death of the minister, during the year, the note shall be cancelled, nor shall his estate be in any way embarrassed by or holden for it. This measure if adopted will bring every minister into close sympathy with the Conference Institution, because it practically makes him an agent. It will enlist the co-operation of the Church, and will increase our endowment, and the number of students.

We furthermore recommend for those brethren, who may not be willing just now, to enter into this arrangement, that, upon the Sabbath nearest "University day," January 25th, a collection shall be taken up in their charges, for current expenses;

that the Friday night of each session of Conference, be set apart for an Educational Anniversary; that we recommend the adoption of the report of the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the University, and so much of it as relates to statistics be condensed and published in the minutes, and the remainder be placed on file; that we earnestly urge upon every member of the Conference to preach upon the subject of education, at least once during the year, and that one night be set apart, at every District Conference, for an educational meeting.

We furthermore recommend the following brethren as visitors to the University: Dr. I. N. Busby, Rev. W. H. H. Pillsbury, Rev. J. E. Corley, Rev. R. B. Allender, Rev. C. B. Clark, Rev. C. P. Reynolds. Laymen, Dillon Payne, A. M., Bloomfield, W. A. Work, A. M., and W. W. Baldwin, A. M., Burlington; visitors to Garrett Biblical Institute, Prest. J. Wheeler, D. D., and Rev. W. F. Cowles.

Respectfully submitted.

J. WHEELER, Chairman.
D. MURPHY, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, NO. 3.

WHEREAS, A paper presented to the Cincinnati Conference by Rev. Dr. Bugbee, upon the subject of unifying the Educational interests, efforts and institutions of the Church, has been referred to this committee; and

WHEREAS, This committee are deeply impressed with the importance of the subject; therefore

Resolved, 1st. That this Conference recommend the Secretary of the Board of Education to call a Convention during the ensuing Conference year, composed of delegates from the Literary Institutions of the Church, to take into consideration the matter proposed, and all other interests connected therewith.

WHEREAS, The authorities of Garrett Biblical Institute "bespeak a good attendance" of the Ministers of the patronizing Conferences at the annual meeting of the "Sartus Theological Union;" therefore

Resolved, 2d. That as far as we may be able, we will attend that meeting.

JOHN WHEELER, Chairman.
D. MURPHY, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, NO. 4.

WHEREAS, Several District Conferences have recommended to the Iowa Annual Conference, to call at some time during the ensuing Conference year, a Convention at Mount Pleasant, to take into consideration the State of the Church, and her leading interests, and especially those of Education; therefore

Resolved, 1st. That we cordially approve the calling of such Convention.

Resolved, 2nd. That the members and probationers of this Conference, and one lay delegate from each charge—to be selected as the charge may direct—with the members of the Faculties and of the Boards of Trustees and Visitors of the University and the German College—shall compose this Convention.

Resolved, 3rd. That the members of Conferences residing in Mt. Pleasant, with the members of the Faculties of the University and the German College, and the lay delegates of the charges in Mt. Pleasant, shall be a Committee of Arrangements to select subjects and speakers, and perform other preliminary duties.

Resolved, 4th. That this Convention shall hold its first meeting, 2 P. M., Tuesday, November 17th, 1874.

Resolved, 5th. That the charges be requested to elect lay delegates on the first Sabbath of October, or the nearest convenient date thereto.

JOHN WHEELER, Chairman.
D. MURPHY, Secretary.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF IOWA CONFERENCE EDUCATIONAL SOCIETY.

WHEREAS, The Educational Society of the Iowa Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church is an Association organized within the State of Iowa, under the supervision and patronage of the said Iowa Annual Conference. And whereas, by a vote of a majority of

the members of said Iowa Conference, the said Educational Society has been authorized and directed to proceed to a legal incorporation, agreeably to the laws of the State of Iowa with respect to corporations other than those for pecuniary profit. And whereas the undersigned, to-wit: George N. Power, E. H. Waring, John Wheeler, W. G. Wilson, W. F. Cowles, J. T. Simmons, and Ira O. Kemble, citizens of the State of Iowa, of full age, and members of the Board of Officers and Managers of said Educational Society, have been directed by said Conference to proceed to the said incorporation, agreeably to the laws of the State of Iowa with respect to corporations other than those for pecuniary profit.

Therefore be it known, that we, the said George N. Power, E. H. Waring, John Wheeler, W. G. Wilson, W. F. Cowles, John T. Simmons and I. O. Kemble, do hereby associate ourselves, together with all such persons who are or hereafter may be associated with us, upon such terms of membership as may be agreed upon between the said Iowa Annual Conference and this Society, into a Corporation, by signing, acknowledging and causing to be filed, this certificate, setting forth the Articles of Incorporation of the said Educational Society, as follows:

Article I.—This Association shall be known by the style and title of "The Educational Society of the Iowa Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church."

Article II.—The objects of this Society shall be the promotion of the cause of Christian education in connection with the Methodist Episcopal Church, and particularly within the Iowa Conference.

Article III.—The business of this Corporation shall be directed by the said Iowa Conference, through a Board of Officers and Managers, to consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, and one minister and one lay person from each Presiding Elder's District of the said Iowa Conference. The said Board to be elected annually by the said Iowa Annual Conference, on nomination of the said Educational Society, and to hold their offices until their successors are appointed.

Article IV.—The place of business of said Corporation shall be at the seat of the said Iowa Conference during the time of its Annual session. At other times, it shall be at Mount Pleasant, Henry County, Iowa.

Article V.—This Corporation shall have full power in its own name, to take, receive, hold and possess any real or personal property, whether acquired by purchase, donation, bequest, or otherwise, for the uses thereof, and for the purposes herein set forth, and to dispose of the same, subject to the direction of the said Iowa Conference; provided, that the amount so held shall not exceed at any one time the sum of fifty thousand dollars. And the said Corporation shall have the right to sue and be sued, and shall enjoy all the further rights, powers and privileges that are or may be conferred upon similar institutions by the laws of the State of Iowa.

Article VI.—The Board of Officers and Managers herein provided for shall make a full report annually of their doings, and of the condition of the Society, to the said Iowa Conference. And shall have power to make, alter, suspend or repeal, [subject to the approval of the said Iowa Conference,] such By-Laws as may be deemed necessary for the further governance of said Corporation, and not inconsistent with these Articles. And the private property of the members of this Corporation shall not be liable for the debts thereof.

Article VII.—The first Board of Officers and Managers, under these Articles, shall consist of the following persons, to-wit: President, Rev. E. H. Waring; Vice President, Rev. W. G. Wilson; Secretary, Rev. E. L. Briggs; Treasurer, Rev. I. O. Kemble; Managers, W. F. Cowles, W. I. Babb, J. B. Blakeney, R. S. McEntire, W. H. H. Pillsbury, W. Tackaberry, J. C. Brown, John Mahin, B. Mark, F. M. Davenport, J. T. Simmons, G. W. Bowen.

Article VIII.—This Corporation shall exist for twenty years from the date hereof. And these Articles may be amended at any time, after one day's notice of such amendment, by the concurrent action of the said Iowa Conference and Educational Society, and as further provided by the laws of the State of Iowa.

In witness whereof we, on behalf of said Corporators, have hereunto set our names at Bloomfield, Iowa, on this 21st day of September, A. D. 1874.

GEO. N. POWER.
E. L. BRIGGS.
IRA O. KEMBLE.

Acknowledged, September 21st, 1874, before J. B. Weaver, a Notary Public in and for Davis County, Iowa, and recorded in Henry County, Iowa.

VI. FREEDMEN'S AID CAUSE.

WHEREAS, The Freedmen's Aid Society is one of the most important of the M. E. Church, and the necessity of its existence and work is shown to be more imperative than ever, by recent events in the South; and since it cannot fill its increased opportunities without enlarged sympathy and prayer and contributions from the Church; therefore

Resolved, That we will labor to bring our people into full sympathy and co-operation with this Society.

As there has been fifteen hundred dollars apportioned to this Conference to be raised for this cause this year; therefore

Resolved, That the Presiding Elders be instructed to apportion said amount to the Districts, and assist the pastors in raising it.

That we, as pastors, will earnestly labor to raise our apportionment for this cause the ensuing Conference year.

J. W. ROBINSON, Secretary.

J. CRAIG, Chairman.

VII. INCORPORATION OF IOWA CONFERENCE, ETC.

Your Committee, appointed to consider the question of incorporating the Iowa Conference and its Auxiliary Missionary and Sunday School Union Boards, beg leave to report as follows:

We do not deem it best at present to incorporate the Auxiliary Boards.

We would recommend the incorporation of the Iowa Annual Conference, and present the following preamble and Articles for your adoption.

J. W. McDONALD, Chairman.

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF IOWA CONFERENCE, 1874.

WHEREAS, The Iowa Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, an Association organized within the State of Iowa, and according to the provisions of the Discipline of the said Church, has by a vote of the majority of its members, directed us, members of the said Conference, to proceed to the Incorporation of the said Conference, agreeably to the laws of the State of Iowa on that subject, made and provided:

Therefore, be it known, that we, whose names are hereunto subscribed, to wit: James G. Barton, C. S. Cooper, William H. Honn, J. T. Simmons and L. O. Housel, being of lawful age, and citizens of the State of Iowa, and of the United States; do hereby, by authority of said Iowa Annual Conference, proceed to associate ourselves, together with all such persons who are, or hereafter may be, agreeably to the rules of the said Methodist Episcopal Church, members of the said Iowa Annual Conference, into a Corporation, by signing, acknowledging, and causing to be properly filed and recorded, according to law, this certificate, containing the Articles of Incorporation, as follows:

Article I.—This Association shall be known by the corporate title of "The Iowa Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church."

Article II.—The objects of the corporation shall be the promotion of religion, benevolence and learning, in co-operation with the said Methodist Episcopal Church, and the support of the Ministers, Widows and Orphans connected with the said Iowa Annual Conference.

Article III.—The business of this corporation shall be controlled and directed by the said Iowa Annual Conference, through a Board of not less than five Trustees, who shall consist of the persons elected from year to year, the Stewards of the Conference, as provided for by the Discipline of said Methodist Episcopal Church, and they shall hold their offices until their successors are appointed.

Article IV.—The said Iowa Annual Conference shall have full power to enact, amend or annul such By-Laws and other regulations for the control of the said Board and the management of the business of the corporation, as may be consistent with this certificate, and with the laws of the State of Iowa, and said Trustees shall make a full report of their business to the said Iowa Annual Conference from year to year.

Article V.—The place of business of said corporation shall be, during its annual session, at the seat of the said Iowa Annual Conference; but its regular place of business shall be at Ottumwa, Iowa.

Article VI.—This corporation shall have full power to receive, by purchase, donation, bequest, or otherwise, any real or personal property for the uses of said corporation, and to hold and dispose of the same; providing, that the sum so held at any one time, shall not exceed \$50,000. It shall have the right to sue and be sued, and shall also enjoy all other rights and privileges that are now, or that hereafter may be conferred by the laws of the State of Iowa upon similar corporations, and which may be applicable to the circumstances and needs of this corporation. And the private property of the members shall not be liable for the debts of the corporation.

Article VII.—In case of the corporation becoming vested of real estate, whether in trust or otherwise, where it is so desired, the corporation may appoint local trustees to take charge of the same, under such conditions as the said corporation may determine.

Article VIII.—This corporation shall continue in force for twenty years, and be subject to renewal, and this certificate may be amended agreeably to the provisions of the laws of the State of Iowa, and by a majority vote of the said Iowa Annual Conference.

Article IX.—The first board of trustees of said corporation shall consist of the following persons. Stewards of the said Iowa Conference, viz: J. G. Barton, C. S. Cooper, W. H. Honn, J. T. Simmons and L. O. Housel.

As witness our hands and seals at Bloomfield, Iowa, this 21st day of September, 1874.

J. G. BARTON,
J. T. SIMMONS,
C. S. COOPER,
W. H. HONN,
L. O. HOUSEL.

THE STATE OF IOWA, } ss.
DAVIS COUNTY,

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 21st day of September, A. D. 1874, appeared before me, J. B. Weaver, a Notary Public, in and for Davis County, Iowa, J. G. Barton, J. T. Simmons, C. S. Cooper, W. H. Honn and L. O. Housel, personally known to me to be the identical persons they represent themselves to be, and severally acknowledged the execution of the foregoing instrument to be their voluntary act and deed. Witness my hand and Seal Notarial.

J. B. WEAVER,
Notary Public.

[L. S.]
Recorded in Wapello County, Iowa.

VIII. MONUMENTS TO DECEASED PREACHERS.

Your committee appointed on monuments for deceased brethren, would advise that the subject be referred to the several District Conferences, or Ministerial Associations.

J. W. CHENEY, Chairman.

IX. PERIODICALS.

WHEREAS, There has been a decided deterioration in the moral tone of the secular papers, while some that occupy a leading position, and have a general circulation throughout the country, are lost to all decency and morality, and in their influence only pernicious and vitiating to the moral sense of our people; and

WHEREAS, We can only neutralize this influence by earnest and persistent personal effort, and by the circulation of a wholesome Christian literature; and inasmuch as our church periodicals are at least equal to any in the land in cheapness, literary excellence, and a deep and intelligent piety; therefore

Resolved, 1st. That we pledge ourselves to make a stronger personal effort than ever before to introduce our church periodicals into every family in the Iowa Conference.

Resolved, 2d, That while we recognize the excellence of all our Advocates, we especially recommend the "*Central*," and heartily commend the earnest efforts of Dr. Fry, its accomplished editor, and urge upon the brethren the importance of making it the organ of the Iowa Conference *in fact*, as it is in theory.

Resolved, 3d. That this Conference heartily endorse the "*Quarterly Review*," and will urge all the brethren in the ministry and the more intelligent among our laity to become subscribers to it.

Resolved, 4th. That we recognize the literary ability of the "*Ladies' Repository*," the chasteness and purity of its style and matter, and will endeavor to put it into every family in the Conference.

Resolved, 5th. That we appreciate the labors of Dr. Vincent in the department of S. S. Literature, and we pledge ourselves to adopt and endeavor to introduce, the periodicals of our S. S. department, to the exclusion of all others.

W. H. H. PILLSBURY, Secretary.

J. H. MILLER, Chairman.

X. PREACHERS' AID SOCIETY.

Your committee, appointed at the last session of the Conference, would report that they have attended, in part, to the duties imposed upon them, and that instead of presenting a constitution and by-laws for the organization of such a society, they recommend that the whole matter be indefinitely postponed.

O. P. LIGHT, Chairman.

XI. PUBLICATION FUND.

Your committee who was appointed on fund for the publication of the minutes of the Conference, would report that, finding it difficult to raise funds by subscription, we recommend that each preacher of the Conference be responsible (according to his salary,) for his share to meet the expense of said publication.

J. B. HARDY, Chairman.

XII. THE SABBATH.

WHEREAS, The Christian Sabbath has been openly desecrated for years by thousands of Catholics, who have endeavored to make it a gala day; and by Rationalists and semi-infidels, who are endeavoring to complete the work thus inaugurated; and

WHEREAS, Many of our own people seem inclined to forget the sacredness of the day, by making it an occasion for family re-unions, and social visiting; therefore

Resolved, That as Christian ministers we will, both by our example and by faithfully preaching upon the subject, endeavor to secure and maintain the sacred and religious observance of the day.

J. G. THOMPSON.

J. T. COLEMAN.

C. S. JENNIS.

XIII. SALE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The Committee on the Sale of Church Property recommend that the application from the Quarterly Conference, of Richmond Circuit, for permission to sell the church property at Yattan, and invest the proceeds in a church at Riverside, be granted.

We also, on petition of the Quarterly Conference of Lebanon Circuit, recommend the ratification of the act of the Trustees of the parsonage property in Lebanon, by which the old parsonage was sold and the proceeds of said sale invested in better parsonage property in the same place.

J. B. BLAKENEY, Chairman.

XIV. STATE OF THE CHURCH.

We rejoice in the material prosperity with which God has blessed us. Churches and parsonages have been built and improved, the various benevolent enterprises of the Church have received their full share of attention, both from pastors and people. Commensurate with this has been our spiritual growth. Hundreds have been converted, and have added to the moral power of the Church their prayers and influence. In a strange manner God has led the women of the Church to practically apply the power of prayer in the suppression of intemperance, and we rejoice in the success attending their efforts. But while we rejoice in our successes, we remember the ever present power of evil. There is still work to do. We need still greater power. To secure this, we urge upon the Church the need of the entire consecration of its resources to the work of the world's salvation. Let us remember the words of our Great Head, "Ye are the light of the world. Let your light so shine that others, seeing your good works, may be led to glorify God."

C. B. CLARKE,

E. L. SCHREINER.

XV. STATE OF THE COUNTRY.

WHEREAS, There continues to exist, in portions of our beloved country, active elements of civil discord, based, for the most part, upon the wicked prejudice of race and color, dangerous to the life, liberty and happiness of thousands of our Christian brethren; and

WHEREAS, This continued discord is destructive of the fraternal, fast-increasing and Christ-like relations that now exist between the two great bodies of Methodism in this nation; be it therefore

Resolved, 1st. That it is our solemn judgment that the enlightened and Christian sentiment of the nation demands and expects on the part of the civil authorities a strict, unsparing and inflexible enforcement of the laws against all classes of offenders.

Resolved, 2d. That we will most devoutly pray that the South may not be given over to the madness of Pharaoh, nor pursue after the hosts of the Lord who have come out from the house of their bondage, through the darkness, led by the pillar of fire.

Resolved, 3d. That while we deplore the necessity for any coercive measures, we most earnestly pledge to the Chief Executive our unqualified sympathy and support in the swift suppression of all outlawry and organized violence; and we expect and pray, that at the hands of the Government the rights of life, liberty and property of all the inhabitants of this great country, without regard to race, color or religion, may be forever secured.

N. WELLS, Chairman.

XVI. STEWARDS' REPORT ON CLAIMS AND DISBURSEMENTS.

QUESTION 17.—What are the claims upon the Conference Fund?

ANSWER.—Of Effective preachers, nothing; of Supernumerary preachers, nothing;

Of Superannuated preachers.....	\$1,955 00
Of Widows and Orphans.....	3,710 00
Total.....	\$5,665 00

QUESTION 18.—What has been received on the foregoing claims, and how has it been applied?

ANSWER 1.—

Received, from Chartered Fund.....	\$ 30 00
“ from collections.....	975 39
Total.....	\$1,005 39

ANSWER 2.—Distributed by order of Conference, as follows:

1. SUPERANNUATED PREACHERS.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Names of Claimants.	Claims.	Dividends.	Paid to
L. C. Woodford.....	\$500 00	\$ 37 00	E. H. Waring.
A. W. Johnson.....	305 00	30 00	Self.
J. McDowell.....	200 00	50 00	Self.
R. S. Robinson ...	350 00	85 00	Self.
E. H. Coddington	600 00	100 00	Geo. N. Power.

2. WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.

Mrs. Worthington	\$460 00	\$ 40 00	Geo. N. Power.
Mrs. Stewart.....	150 00	20 00	" " "
Mrs. Hare	150 00	40 00	" " "
Mrs. Wayman.....	200 00	30 00	" " "
Mrs. Latham.....	400 00	120 00	C. S. Cooper.
Mrs. Bamford.....	450 00	75 00	M. Bamford.
Mrs. Prather.....	500 00	75 40	H. E. Wing.
Mrs. Donaldson	500 00	100 00	J. T. Coleman.
Mrs. Power	350 00	71 00	Geo. N. Power.
Simpson's children.....	50 00	25 00	" " "
Mrs. Boyles.....	300 00	55 00	C. R. Norton.
Mrs. Friend.....	100 00	52 00	John Elrod.
Mrs. Clark.....	100 00		G. H. Clark.
Totals	\$5,665 00	\$1,005 39	

XVII. SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The report of the Sunday School Union of the M. E. Church for the last year is full of encouragement, because of the increase of the work and of the workers. This department of Church labor, with the facilities now afforded us, may be made more productive than any other, because it opens a field to the *whole Church*, including ministry and laity, male and female, into which all may and ought to enter, and enter to work with a will for the training and saving of the people; especially the children. There is still unoccupied territory to be possessed, and buried talents to be unearthed, and untrained childhood and manhood too, to be instructed in the things of God, and plenty of the Lord's money to be expended in supplying these added forces the requisites for successful work; therefore

Resolved, 1st. That we will do what we can, by prayer, counsel and work, to aid this grand Sunday School movement. Where we can we will organize schools, enlist more of the membership of the Church in the work and stimulate the old workers with new zeal.

Resolved, 2d. That we will endeavor to introduce the best Sunday School literature of our day into all our Sunday Schools, especially the International Lessons, and our excellent Sunday School Journal, and Sunday School papers.

Resolved, 3d. That we will make special effort to do all our work in the Sunday School with a view to the saving of the souls of the children, and their connection with the Church as members.

Resolved, 4th. That we will present the claims of our Sunday School Union, and take the collection.

A. McCLINTOCK.
In behalf of Committee.

NOTE.—M. Bamford and W. G. Wilson were appointed to make addresses at the next Anniversary of the Conference S. S. Union.

XVIII. TEMPERANCE.

Intemperance is a foe aggressive in his work, seeking the overthrow of all, and is satisfied with nothing short of the entire destruction of property, body and soul, and our only weapon of defence is total abstinence; therefore

Resolved, 1st. That we will preach against it in all places where there is any necessity.

Resolved, 2d. That we will encourage every temperance movement seeking its extirpation.

Resolved, 3d. We concur in the recommendation contained in the circular of the General Assembly of the U. P. Church, recommending the formation of a *National Christian Temperance Alliance*.

Resolved, 4th. We recommend the appointment, by this Conference, of a delegate to such Alliance.

JOHN HARRIS, Chairman.

XIX. WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

Received in cash from

Springfield—A. V. Kendrick.....	\$ 1 00
Montrose—W. E. Patterson.....	11 00
Birmingham—H. E. Wing.....	8 25
Total	\$20 25

Received receipts from

Oskaloosa—C. B. Clark	\$ 70 56
Old Zion—Blakeney.....	54 50
Asbury—Power.....	100 00
Total	\$225 06
	20 25

Grand Total.....\$245 31

W. J. SPAULDING, Committee.

Collections were also reported as follows: Division Street, Burlington, \$80.00; South Burlington, \$17.50; Danville, \$1.00; Main Street, Mount Pleasant, \$51.00; Muscatine, \$80.05; Newton, \$20.35; Marengo, \$62.74; Fremont, \$3.50; Kirkville, \$17.00; Pella, \$34.00; Bloomfield, \$36.00; Centreville, 25 cents.

SECRETARY.

XX. RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That we hereby return our hearty thanks to the citizens of Bloomfield, for their kind hospitality displayed in our entertainment.

Resolved, That we especially appreciate the forethought and enterprise of the committee in the erection of the large and commodious tabernacle for the accommodation of the Conference.

G. W. BYRKIT.

E. H. WARING.

Resolved, That the \$1,000 apportioned to be raised by this Conference for the Episcopal Fund be distributed equally among the Districts of the Conference.

J. W. CHENEY.

C. W. SHEPHERD.

Resolved, That we extend our thanks to the Burlington & Southwestern Railway Company for reduced fare on their road.

A. W. HAINES.

JOHN S. FERGUSON.

Resolved, That we extend our thanks to the St. Louis, Kansas City & Northern Railroad Company, for their generosity in offering this body transportation over their line at reduced fare.

I. N. BUSBY.

A. McCLINTOCK.

IOWA CONFERENCE

For Missionary Collections.

BURLINGTON

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.		MEMBERSHIP.				Baptisms.		CHURCH			
		Probationers.	Full Members.	Local Preachers.	Deaths.	Children.	Adults.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.
Burlington—Division Street.....	1	1	200	1	---	3	1	1	\$32,000	1	\$4,000
“ Old Zion.....	2	2	195	---	3	7	8	1	15 000	1	6,000
“ South Burlington.....	3	7	84	---	---	2	7	1	2,500	---	---
“ Circuit.....	4	---	152	---	2	2	2	3	5,000	---	---
Canaan.....	5	7	130	---	1	6	3	1	2,000	---	---
Danville.....	6	9	170	---	2	4	4	4	8,000	1	1,000
Dodgeville.....	7	5	128	1	3	---	---	3	5,000	---	---
Kossuth.....	8	9	260	2	4	3	2	2	6,000	2	1,700
Marshall.....	9	---	200	2	2	---	---	4	6,000	1	800
Morning Sun.....	10	24	120	1	4	3	10	3	7,000	---	---
Mt. Pleasant Circuit.....	11	2	198	3	2	4	---	4	8,000	---	---
New London.....	12	5	105	2	2	---	---	2	2,500	1	3,000
Wapello and Columbus City.....	13	5	95	1	1	---	1	3	3,000	---	---
Winfield.....	14	4	265	1	2	6	4	2	3,500	---	---
Total.....	15	80	2302	14	28	40	42	34	\$102,500	7	\$16,500

KEOKUK

Keokuk—Chatham Square.....	1	14	224	2	2	3	---	2	\$20,000	1	\$1,500
“ First Church.....	2	10	221	---	1	3	8	1	11,000	---	---
Bentonsport.....	3	6	155	2	1	3	4	5	7,400	1	900
Bonaparte.....	4	13	151	2	1	---	22	5	7,000	---	---
Fort Madison.....	5	3	117	1	2	5	4	1	2,500	1	1,200
Independent.....	6	12	151	7	2	---	4	4	4,800	---	---
Keosauqua.....	7	10	175	2	1	---	---	1	5,000	1	800
Lebanon.....	8	3	228	3	3	---	---	6	6,800	1	800
Milton.....	9	5	240	---	---	2	13	2	2,900	1	600
Montrose.....	10	1	80	2	1	1	---	2	1,350	---	375
Troy.....	11	7	160	---	1	3	6	3	3,400	1	700
West Point.....	12	11	173	---	3	1	1	3	5,100	1	500
Winchester.....	13	---	168	---	6	---	---	4	5,300	1	600
Total.....	14	95	2243	21	24	21	64	39	\$85,550	9	\$7,975

MOUNT PLEASANT.

Mount Pleasant—Asbury Chapel.....	1	20	273	2	---	2	5	1	\$20,000	---	---
“ “ Henry Street.....	2	2	62	3	---	---	6	2	3,000	---	---
“ “ Main Street.....	3	10	204	4	4	---	2	1	5,000	---	---
Agency City.....	4	31	319	5	1	---	22	3	3,400	1	600
Batavia.....	5	37	307	2	3	10	19	4	4,000	2	1,200
Birmingham.....	6	37	243	---	1	2	1	2	6,500	1	800
Brighton.....	7	1	175	2	---	---	---	4	4,000	1	900
Fairfield—Church Street.....	8	9	160	1	2	1	11	1	3,000	1	2,000
“ Harmony, &c.....	9	19	220	4	1	---	4	2	3,800	---	---
Glendale.....	10	15	165	2	---	---	---	5	3,500	1	700
Martinsburgh.....	11	---	150	5	4	2	3	3	5,000	---	1,200
Richland.....	12	9	188	2	3	---	2	4	6,000	1	800
Salem.....	13	10	210	2	1	1	---	3	5,500	---	1,000
Total.....	14	200	2,374	34	20	20	73	33	\$70,700	8	\$9,200

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See Missionary Treasurer's Report.

DISTRICT.

PROPERTY.			BE NEVOLENT COL LECTIONS.								Sextonage, Light and Fuel.
	Raised for Improvement	Present In-debtedness.	For Con-ference Claim-ants.	Episcopal Fund.	For Board of Church Ex-tension.	For Tract So-ciety.	For S. S. Un-ion of M. E. Church.	For Freed-men's Aid Society.	Education.	For American Bible Soci-ety.	
1	\$1,555			\$10 00	\$2 00	\$1 00	\$2 25	\$1 00	\$13 00	\$6 00	\$300 00
2	352	\$2,000	\$20 00		12 00		2 00	3 00		10 00	296 00
3	239	380	11 75	1 00		2 35	30	2 00	3 00	1 25	75 60
4	75		8 00	5 00	5 00	3 00	2 00	5 00	5 00		
5		200	6 45	2 35	11 60						
6	27	200	7 00	4 00	5 00	1 50	7 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	40 00
7		280		1 00	65	25	50	1 25	3 75	25	25 00
8	719		12 85	5 81	2 70	2 90	1 00		3 65		110 00
9	200	120	10 00	5 00	7 00	1 50	2 00	2 00	5 00		
10	500	300	3 25	1 20	1 50	1 10	1 00	1 10	2 35	3 48	125 00
11	10		60 30	2 00	1 00	50	1 00		50		
12			50						50		
13			5 00	2 00							
14	30		10 00	5 10							
15	\$3,707	\$3,480	\$150 10	\$44 46	\$48 45	\$14 10	\$19 05	\$16 35	\$35 75	\$23 98	\$961 00

DISTRICT.

1	\$1,000	\$300	\$7 00	\$8 20	\$1 00	\$1 00	\$5 00	\$1 00	\$1 00		
2	75	1,900	10 00	5 00	2 25	1 00	1 00	4 00	2 00		\$110 00
3	275		8 00	5 00	4 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	3 00	3 00	35 00
4	1,124	260									25 00
5			5 00	4 50	3 75	1 00	5 00	2 25	3 00		
6			2 50	2 34	1 00		2 20	4 00			
7	1,132		3 10	2 00						2 65	175 00
8	300	270	2 60	1 44	1 35	1 10	1 35	2 05	55	1 00	100 00
9	520	175	16 60	8 50	1 60	2 50	7 00	1 10	1 60	23 50	90 00
10	4,500	699	1 40	1 10	1 00	30	1 00	30	1 10	95	
11	125	25	8 00	5 70	4 25	2 65	5 20	2 20	2 45	10 60	30 00
12	500		4 00	2 00	2 00			3 00		12 25	25 00
13	102	100	12 10	5 00	6 25	3 60	8 50	3 30	4 80	4 80	74 00
14	\$9,653	\$3,699	\$80 30	\$50 80	\$28 45	\$15 15	\$39 25	\$25 20	\$19 50	\$55 75	\$664 00

DISTRICT.

1	\$1,209		\$75 00	\$27 00	\$35 00	\$9 27	\$10 00	\$12 00	\$25 00	\$51 45	\$375 00
2		\$550									
3			10 23	6 25	13 50	3 00	3 00	2 00	141 34	21 10	250 00
4	129	380	23 75	24 00	31 25	60	60	2 00	1 00	16 77	
5	144		8 50	5 25	2 00	50	50	2 00	6 47	17 63	200 00
6		150	20 00	6 00	5 50	3 00	4 00	7 75	73 75	3 65	150 00
7	1,110				1 10	1 00	1 00	2 10			
8	100		4 00	1 00	1 25		50	75	1 00		
9	175		9 10	5 00						4 95	100 00
10	1,600		8 50	3 00	5 50	2 00	2 00				50 00
11	100		8 30	4 50	5 70	50	1 50	2 00		2 10	
12		60	3 65		1 00		5 50	1 00	2 10		
13	300		4 00	1 00	1 00						
14	\$4,867	\$1,140	\$175 03	\$83 00	\$102 85	\$19 87	\$28 60	\$31 60	\$250 66	\$117 65	\$1075 00

IOWA CONFERENCE

MUSCATINE

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.		MEMBERSHIP.				Baptisms.		CHURCH		
		Probationers.	Full Members.	Local Preachers.	Deaths.	Children.	Adults.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.
Muscatine.....	1	12	337	4	2	7	3	1	\$3,500	
Muscatine Circuit.....	2	18	186	4	5	2	18	2	6,000	1 700
Ainsworth and Eureka.....	3	34	264	1	1	4	30	3	4,000	2 1,600
Blue Grass.....	4	2	123	2		4		2	2,000	1 850
Coneville.....	5	10	40	2	2	5	6	2	4,000	
Grandview.....	6		145	1	3	2	2	2	8,000	1 300
Keota.....	7	18	150	2	3	3	12	3	5,000	
Lexington.....	8		124	3	5		1	4	6,000	1 600
Pleasant Valley.....	9	98	91		2	3	6	2	2,500	1 85
Richmond.....	10	13	300	3	7	11	27	5	9,700	1 200
Sigourney.....	11		96					1	2,500	1 1,000
Sweetland Center.....	12	5	219		4	4	2	4	1,100	
Washington.....	13	20	208	1	2	1	4	1	8,000	1 1,200
West Liberty.....	14	3	214	2			1	1	5,000	
Wilton.....	15	4	160	3	2		8	1	2,000	1 700
Total.....	16	237	2657	28	40	46	120	34	\$69,300	11 \$7,235

NEWTON

Newton.....	1	65	200		2	4	14	1	\$1,400	1 600
Newton Circuit.....	2	21	267	2	2	4	21	3	6,000	1 800
Brooklyn.....	3	25	215		2	2	7	1	1,700	1 500
Grinnell.....	4	5	129	3	1	1		1	4,000	
Kellogg.....	5	5	112	4		4	3	1	2,500	1 800
Kosta.....	6	20	175	1	2	4	3	3	5,000	1 850
Lynnville.....	7	2	92	1	1	3		1	300	
Malcolm.....	8		140	3		1	14			
Marengo.....	9	5	157		4	3	17	1	3,000	1 1,800
Millersburg.....	10	12	110	1	1	3	18	2	4,000	1 800
Montezuma.....	11	46	201	1	4	3	64	1	1,800	1 800
North Liberty.....	12	21	148	4	1	5	9	3	6,740	1 520
North Newton Circuit.....	13	22	87			6	20	1	2,000	
Pleasant Hill.....	14	7	187		3		19	4	7,000	1 1,000
Tiffin.....	15	3	73		1		5	1	4,000	
Victor.....	16	14	119		1			1	3,000	
Williamsburg.....	17	22	138				3	1	1,500	1 750
Total.....	18	295	2510	20	25	43	215	26	\$53,940	11 \$9,264

OSKALOOSA

Oskaloosa—First Church.....	1	4	200	1	2		2	1	\$10,000	1 3,000
“ Simpson.....	2	3	235		5		1	1	20,000	
“ Wesley Chapel.....	3	9	41				4	1	1,500	
Attica.....	4		210	4	4	4	2	4	5,000	1 700
Bellefontaine.....	5	30	290	4	2	2	6	5	6,500	
Eddyville.....	6	2	75	1	1	5	2	1	5,000	
Fremont.....	7	10	250	5	4	9	35	4	5,300	1 300
Kirkville.....	8	21	245	3	5	9	10	3	10,000	1 300
Knoxville.....	9	20	227	4	1	3	10	1	3,000	1 1,200
Knoxville Circuit.....	10	3	150	1	1	4	9			
New Sharon.....	11	16	130	2	2	2	6	2	6,500	1 1,200
Otley.....	12	6	190	3	3		4	3	4,700	
Pella.....	13	6	145	2	1		1	2	4,100	
Peoria.....	14	24	282	1	2	3	6	3	8,200	2 700
Springfield.....	15	31	236	4	1	7	30	2	2,000	1 500
Union.....	16	4	206	3	2		6	3	4,500	
Webster.....	17	59	181	1	3	5	14	3	4,500	1 400
Total.....	18	238	3295	39	39	53	148	38	\$100,800	10 \$8,300

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DISTRICT.

PROPERTY.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.								Sextonage, Light and Fuel.
	Raised for Improvement	Present In- debtedness.	For Confer- ence Claim- ants.	For Episco- pal Fund.	For Board of Church Ex- tension.	For Tract So- ciety.	For S. S. Un- ion of M. E. Church.	For Freed- men's Aid Society.	Education.	For American Bible Soci- ety.	
1	\$ 625	-----	\$ 40 00	\$ 8 40	\$18 50	\$ 4 50	\$ 4 50	\$ 8 50	\$15 00	\$ 30 00	\$852 15
2	171	\$ 477	13 50	4 50	2 00	7 75	2 75	3 25	2 50	5 50	138 00
3	200	-----	8 25	3 30	3 35	25	30	1 75	2 00	-----	100 00
4	-----	-----	13 00	-----	20	-----	-----	-----	-----	8 00	-----
5	-----	1,000	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
6	-----	-----	5 00	4 00	3 00	1 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	-----	-----
7	3,400	200	22 00	-----	-----	-----	-----	12 25	-----	-----	50 00
8	1,700	-----	1 00	-----	2 00	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
9	8	-----	85	1 00	88	25	50	7 65	2 00	-----	-----
10	236	100	8 20	4 00	3 50	-----	1 60	-----	5 00	-----	-----
11	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	3 00	-----	150 00
12	-----	-----	14 35	4 10	3 10	1 50	2 50	2 50	3 00	19 00	50 00
13	50	-----	-----	10 40	17 85	-----	-----	-----	-----	25 35	200 00
14	5,000	-----	1 10	1 00	55	50	35	45	35	9 25	100 00
15	-----	-----	16 00	-----	15 00	1 00	6 00	1 85	140 00	-----	175 00
16	\$16,490	\$2,577	\$143 25	\$40 80	\$69 93	\$16 75	\$20 50	\$39 21	\$274 85	\$97 10	\$1815 15

DISTRICT.

1	\$ 300	-----	\$ 10 00	\$ 4 50	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	75	\$ 1 00	\$ 8 48	\$130 00
2	306	\$ 565	-----	10 00	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	110 00
3	-----	250	7 00	10 00	1 20	2 00	2 00	1 20	3 40	-----	100 00
4	150	-----	8 12	4 50	2 00	1 49	1 55	4 83	9 20	-----	150 00
5	40	-----	7 00	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	25 00
6	100	84	10 00	10 00	5 00	1 00	75	1 00	75	-----	-----
7	-----	-----	3 50	4 00	1 00	35	50	50	75	25	15 00
8	1,800	40	12 00	1 00	3 25	1 00	1 09	7 00	1 00	-----	-----
9	300	-----	25 00	7 50	5 00	4 00	3 00	4 00	3 00	9 00	244 00
10	1,600	450	15 00	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
11	-----	-----	12 00	2 00	4 00	1 00	3 00	2 10	50	20 00	121 00
12	3,520	1,156	13 53	7 50	-----	-----	-----	4 20	-----	-----	55 00
13	-----	1,027	63 83	5 00	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
14	475	-----	10 00	8 00	2 00	1 00	2 00	6 00	3 00	-----	20 00
15	-----	-----	7 00	-----	2 00	-----	-----	2 00	1 85	-----	50 00
16	-----	-----	5 00	8 00	4 00	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
17	168	37	5 65	2 00	1 50	80	3 60	1 70	1 00	-----	80 00
18	\$8,759	\$3,609	\$214 63	\$84 00	\$31 95	\$ 14 04	\$19 00	\$35 28	\$25 45	\$37 73	\$1003 00

DISTRICT.

1	\$ 175	-----	\$ 10 00	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	\$ 10 25	\$300 00
2	288	\$4,540	1 00	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	300 00
3	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	45 00
4	400	-----	6 00	5 00	-----	-----	1 00	2 15	1 00	-----	-----
5	75	300	20 00	7 00	2 70	1 00	1 25	3 00	1 80	2 00	-----
6	10	350	1 00	50	1 50	20	35	2 15	65	-----	110 00
7	716	-----	7 40	2 20	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
8	100	-----	18 00	3 00	4 00	2 00	2 00	5 00	3 00	-----	200 00
9	334	140	13 36	-----	2 50	1 00	1 00	6 45	3 50	22 70	-----
10	-----	-----	1 00	1 00	75	-----	-----	50	-----	-----	-----
11	500	450	4 00	4 00	-----	-----	2 00	-----	1 00	-----	-----
12	185	-----	3 00	-----	50	1 00	1 25	1 25	1 50	-----	-----
13	182	-----	17 00	5 00	3 60	1 70	75	1 00	1 10	-----	-----
14	1,002	400	2 50	-----	2 00	5 50	75	1 00	1 00	-----	-----
15	75	25	5 90	-----	1 90	60	1 00	75	50	11 45	30 00
16	-----	-----	1 70	3 00	-----	15	10	-----	25	-----	-----
17	1,600	40	5 00	2 00	-----	-----	-----	2 00	-----	12 00	75 00
18	\$5,642	\$6,245	\$116 86	\$31 70	\$20 35	\$16 15	\$12 20	\$29 25	\$36 20	\$48 40	\$1060 00

IOWA CONFERENCE

OTTUMWA

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	MEMBERSHIP.				Baptisms.		CHURCH			
	Probationers.	Full Members.	Local Preachers.	Deaths.	Children.	Adults.	Churches.	Probable Value.	Parsonages.	Probable Value.
Ottumwa—First Church.....	1	6	209	1	2	8	1	\$10,000	1	\$3,000
“ Main Street.....	2	9	214	2	2	8	1	10,000	—	—
“ Mission.....	3	7	110	—	17	25	2	150	—	—
Albia.....	4	9	217	3	5	5	1	7,000	—	—
Albia Circuit.....	5	18	200	—	9	18	2	3,000	—	—
Bloomfield.....	6	32	220	1	3	7	1	4,000	1	1,500
Centerville.....	7	18	125	2	3	1	1	1,600	1	1,600
Chillicothe.....	8	—	155	1	—	—	3	4,000	—	—
Cincinnati.....	9	25	346	2	3	15	40	2,000	1	500
Drakeville.....	10	4	133	2	1	1	—	1,100	1	400
Hamilton.....	11	8	162	1	7	6	9	4,800	1	600
Jerome.....	12	10	187	4	3	—	2	4,000	—	—
Marysville.....	13	16	183	—	1	8	23	2,800	—	—
Melrose.....	14	1	150	3	1	3	—	3,500	—	—
Moulton.....	15	12	165	1	1	1	23	2,000	—	—
Unionville.....	16	7	240	2	3	1	15	3,500	1	600
West Grove and Stiles.....	17	6	232	3	1	5	19	4,000	—	—
Total.....	18	188	3,248	28	36	77	202	\$67,450	7	\$8,200

RECAPITULATION

BURLINGTON.....	1	80	2,302	14	28	40	42	34	\$102,500	7	\$16,500
KEOKUK.....	2	95	2,243	21	24	21	64	39	85,550	9	7,975
MOUNT PLEASANT.....	3	190	2,676	34	22	20	73	34	67,900	9	9,200
MUSCATINE.....	4	237	2,657	28	38	47	120	34	100,800	10	7,235
NEWTON.....	5	295	2,550	20	25	43	215	26	53,940	11	9,264
OSKALOOSA.....	6	238	3,295	39	39	53	148	38	100,800	10	8,300
OTTUMWA.....	7	188	3,248	28	36	77	202	35	67,450	7	8,200
Total this year.....	8	1323	18,971	184	202	301	864	240	578,940	73	66,674
Total last year.....	9	1336	18,985	189	243	362	827	225	530,900	64	62,150
Increase.....	10	—	—	—	—	—	37	15	\$48,040	9	\$4,524
Decrease.....	11	13	14	5	41	61	—	—	—	—	—

NOTE.—Aggregate Membership this year—Probationers, 1,323; full members, 18,971; local preachers, 184. Grand total, 20,478. Last year, 20,500, Decrease, 22.

STATISTICAL REPORT, 1874.

DISTRICT.

PROPERTY.			BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS.								Sextonage, Light and Fuel.
	Raised for Improvement.	Present Indebtedness.	For Conference Claimants.	For Episcopal Fund.	For Board of Church Extension.	For Tract Society.	For S. S. Union of M. E. Church.	For Freedmen's Aid Society.	For Education.	For American Bible Society.	
1	\$ 125		\$22 10	\$16 00	\$ 12 87	\$ 5 00	\$ 5 20	\$ 10 00	\$ 72.85	\$35 00	\$300 00
2	2,150	\$3,360	7 00	5 00	2 00	50	2 00	1 00	1 00	10 50	215 00
3										9 45	37 70
4	220		15 00	9 00	9 00	2 00	4 00	4 00	5 00		
5			6 00	3 00	2 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	2 25	171 00
6	75		21 00	10 00	6 15	2 25	7 50	4 10	5 00		50 00
7	710		13 00		1 00	50	50	75	2 00	25 00	
8	200		2 00								
9	700	500	1 95	2 50	2 00	75		1 00			
10	35		5 00	3 00	55		35		45		
11	325	540	6 05		80	25	50	1 85	25	10 55	10 00
12			10 55	4 00	25	10		1 35			50 00
13	2,800		2 75	1 10	30	55	45		40		
14		800	5 50	2 00	50	25	1 00	25	25		
15	26		3 05	5 00	10	55	80	95	65		46 00
16	110	290	4 10	3 50	25	35	70	40	50	35	33 40
17		300	14 25	7 00	40	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00		
18	\$7,476	\$5,790	\$139 30	\$65 10	\$38 17	\$15 30	\$25 00	\$28 95	\$90 35	\$93 10	\$913 10

BY DISTRICTS.

1	\$3,707	\$3,480	\$150 10	\$44 46	\$48 45	\$14 10	\$19 05	\$16 35	\$35 70	\$23 98	\$ 961 00
2	9,653	3,699	80 30	50 80	28 45	15 15	39 25	25 20	19 50	55 75	664 00
3	4,867	1,140	175 03	83 00	102 80	19 87	28 66	31 40	250 66	117 65	707 00
4	10,490	2,577	143 25	40 80	69 88	9 75	20 50	39 01	171 95	97 10	1,815 15
5	8,759	3,609	214 63	84 00	31 95	14 04	19 00	35 28	25 45	37 73	1,003 00
6	5,642	6,245	116 86	31 70	20 35	16 15	12 20	29 25	36 20	48 90	1,060 00
7	7,476	5,790	139 30	65 10	38 17	15 30	25 00	28 95	90 35	93 10	913 10
8	51,594	26,540	919 47	399 84	340 05	104 36	161 66	205 44	629 86	474 21	7,123 25
9	37,032	23,038	877 98	521 53	422 40	169 40	206 27	245 85	517 71	595 85	5,324 06
10	\$14,562	\$3,502	\$41 49						\$112 15		1,769 19
11			\$121 67	\$82 35	\$65 04	\$64 61	\$40 41		\$121 64		

NOTE.—There are some discrepancies in the report of the Conference Collections as made to the Statistical Secretary and the Stewards. In the Stewards' Report, Division Street, Burlington, is not credited with any collection; Mt. Pleasant Circuit is only credited with \$12.98, making the total for Burlington District, according to that report, \$124.73. Brighton is credited in that report, \$1.70, making the total report from Mt. Pleasant District, \$176.73. Keota is credited with \$22.00, and Washington with \$52.00, making a total for Muscatine District, of \$173.45. Newton Circuit is credited with \$6.00; Kosta with \$11.25; North Newton Circuit is credited with only \$12.00, making a total for Newton District, of \$214.63. Melrose is credited with \$6.50, making the total for Ottumwa District, \$139.30. The total collections, according to the Steward's returns, amounted to \$974.29, or \$54.82 more than reported to the Statistical Secretary. These reports ought to be compared, and made to agree.

SECRETARY.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

BURLINGTON

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	No. of Sunday Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers	No. of Scholars of all ages.	Scholars 15 y'rs old and over.	Scholars under 15, except In- fant Class.	No. of Scholars in Infant Class	Average Attendance of Teachers and Scholars.	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers.	No. of Scholars who are Ch'h members or Probationers.
Burlington—Division Street.....	1	29	275	125	75	75	160	17	50
“ Old Zion.....	1	27	200	80	84	36	187	27	—
“ South Burlington.....	1	20	100	—	—	25	100	20	—
“ Circuit.....	3	37	188	75	103	20	225	47	29
Canaan.....	3	36	160	78	62	20	125	30	—
Danville.....	3	25	200	80	80	40	187	25	50
Dodgeville.....	1	10	50	11	39	—	—	—	—
Kossuth.....	2	28	200	75	80	45	140	27	34
Marshall.....	4	45	282	155	78	49	225	34	40
Morning Sun.....	3	25	175	70	60	45	150	20	85
Mt. Pleasant Circuit.....	4	30	350	—	—	50	—	30	—
New London.....	3	30	200	—	—	—	—	—	—
Wapello and Columbus City.....	3	18	100	50	20	15	70	10	30
Winfield.....	4	44	260	107	100	55	275	40	60
Total.....	36	404	2740	906	781	475	1794	327	378

KEOKUK

Keokuk—Chatham Square.....	2	35	300	100	100	80	290	30	—
“ First Church.....	2	31	308	108	150	50	20	26	125
Bentonsport.....	4	40	200	120	80	30	120	30	40
Bonaparte.....	3	21	200	140	25	35	120	45	40
Fort Madison.....	1	14	70	—	—	34	—	14	—
Independent.....	3	20	90	48	36	9	68	18	20
Keosauqua.....	1	23	203	63	94	46	10	6	—
Lebanon.....	5	51	267	—	—	—	251	43	70
Milton.....	3	28	233	121	91	21	128	21	30
Montrose.....	2	16	90	—	—	4	64	12	—
Troy.....	3	33	342	115	86	41	176	32	28
West Point.....	4	36	265	145	—	120	165	32	78
Winchester.....	4	40	247	103	94	50	151	32	64
Total.....	37	388	2815	1073	736	520	1563	339	495

MOUNT PLEASANT.

Mount Pleasant—Asbury Chapel.....	1	29	351	175	53	123	205	29	59
“ “ Henry Street.....	2	20	155	110	25	35	115	20	15
“ “ Main Street.....	1	20	175	80	60	35	120	20	110
Agency City.....	4	53	377	225	82	70	248	44	98
Batavia.....	4	40	276	96	152	55	205	35	190
Birmingham.....	4	35	237	91	108	38	145	28	52
Brighton.....	4	40	209	—	—	—	—	—	—
Fairfield—Church Street.....	1	15	125	40	35	25	100	15	20
“ Harmony, &c.....	2	33	185	70	73	42	150	33	68
Glendale.....	5	48	250	100	50	100	220	40	50
Martinsburgh.....	4	70	400	200	125	75	300	60	125
Richland.....	4	23	340	—	—	20	220	—	—
Salem.....	5	75	200	80	30	90	200	—	70
Total.....	41	506	3280	1267	793	708	2228	324	857

STATISTICS—1874.

DISTRICT.

No. of Conversions.	No. of Library Books.	Total Expenses of School this Year.	No. of S. S. Advocates taken.	No. S. S. Class-mates taken.	No. S. S. Jour-nals taken.	No. of Good News taken.	No. of Picture Lesson Pa-pers taken.	CLAIMS OF PASTORS.			RECEIPTS OF PASTORS.			Per Cent.
								Salary.	Rent.	P. E.	Salary.	Rent.	P. E.	
---	600	\$ 400 00	200	---	25	---	---	\$ 1,300	\$ 400	\$ 100	\$ 1,300	\$ 400	\$ 100	---
---	1200	228 79	175	---	15	---	---	1,300	---	100	1,300	---	100	---
---	300	50 00	---	---	17	75	---	745	180	---	745	180	---	---
---	657	50 00	63	30	14	50	15	750	---	75	690	---	76	---
3	210	20 00	29	---	24	---	3	400	---	40	350	---	40	---
---	---	95 00	35	20	18	35	1	900	---	100	800	---	100	---
---	100	---	---	---	---	---	---	525	11	52	470	11	48	---
---	800	170 90	---	---	11	30	---	1,100	---	110	1,100	---	110	---
2	450	70 80	85	---	29	---	23	800	---	90	745	---	76	---
15	200	40 00	52	52	15	---	---	700	---	75	700	---	75	---
4	---	---	100	---	---	---	---	800	---	85	800	---	85	---
---	---	---	50	---	---	---	---	800	---	80	451	---	57	---
6	100	5 00	30	---	---	---	---	800	---	85	400	---	75	---
12	150	50 00	75	---	25	---	---	700	100	80	700	100	80	---
42	4777	\$1,180 49	894	102	193	180	42	\$11,620	\$ 691	\$1,072	\$10,551	\$ 691	\$1,072	---

DISTRICT.

---	352	\$362 71	100	75	30	---	150	\$1,200	\$240	\$ 132	\$1,200	\$240	\$ 132	---
5	300	57 00	---	---	17	---	50	900	168	100	900	168	100	---
---	400	28 00	250	25	11	25	---	682	75	82	533	75	69	---
10	450	35 00	120	25	12	25	---	700	---	58	506	---	53	---
7	200	---	---	---	15	---	---	700	---	40	700	---	40	---
5	130	45 50	50	---	---	---	---	600	---	69	505	---	65	---
---	---	40 00	100	22	22	100	---	650	100	60	570	100	60	---
---	470	137 00	70	60	5	30	---	550	60	123	530	60	117	---
8	300	30 00	12	---	12	---	---	650	60	114	609	60	107	---
---	20	50 00	50	---	50	---	---	650	72	47	336	41	47	---
18	237	10 00	---	---	---	---	---	550	60	98	440	60	76	---
4	700	45 00	48	---	---	---	100	630	---	98	585	---	67	---
---	165	36 75	39	15	25	---	30	550	50	103	550	50	103	---
52	3724	\$876 96	839	222	199	180	330	\$9,012	\$885	\$1,124	\$7,964	\$854	\$1,036	---

DISTRICT.

11	700	\$ 109 00	---	---	25	---	---	\$ 1,100	\$200	\$ 140	\$1,100	\$200	\$ 140	---
3	153	25 00	30	---	---	---	---	200	---	40	150	---	40	---
---	200	180 00	100	---	18	---	100	1,000	---	120	1,000	---	120	---
40	1253	312 00	100	100	34	100	50	850	75	125	796	75	120	---
50	600	125 00	75	60	20	45	17	840	---	120	840	---	120	---
5	570	20 00	40	---	---	32	---	800	---	100	800	---	100	---
---	---	57 00	122	---	8	12	---	650	---	72	650	---	72	---
18	200	75 00	75	---	15	---	---	860	---	70	860	---	70	---
12	475	85 81	31	---	22	---	---	1,000	---	75	1,000	---	75	---
15	500	60 00	50	30	---	---	50	750	---	80	750	---	68	---
10	400	50 00	50	---	---	---	---	700	---	100	650	---	93	---
---	---	---	90	---	---	---	---	600	---	95	60	---	92	---
---	---	50 00	75	---	2	---	---	700	---	90	572	---	83	---
164	5048	\$1,148 81	838	190	144	189	217	\$10,050	\$275	\$1,227	\$9,018	\$275	\$1,193	---

SUNDAY SCHOOL MUSCATINE

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	No. of Sunday Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all ages.	Scholars 15 y'rs old and over.	Scholars under 15, except In- fant Class.	No. of Scholars in Infant Class.	Average Attendance of Teachers and Scholars.	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers.	No. of Scholars who are Ch'ch Members or Probationers.
Muscatine.....	1	42	350	---	---	---	250	40	---
Muscatine Circuit.....	4	48	391	140	104	47	237	40	50
Ainsworth and Eureka.....	3	44	220	96	110	14	138	40	75
Blue Grass.....	2	18	90	30	50	10	70	18	---
Coneville.....	1	8	40	20	20	---	30	5	3
Grandview.....	2	24	180	65	60	55	170	23	80
Keota.....	3	34	225	100	80	45	175	26	---
Lexington.....	2	16	150	---	---	---	---	---	---
Pleasant Valley.....	2	22	170	---	---	---	130	---	---
Richmond.....	7	52	360	140	120	60	298	43	76
Sigourney.....	1	20	165	95	50	20	123	18	20
Sweetland Center and Durant.....	4	45	315	105	210	32	255	45	75
Washington.....	1	24	260	100	80	80	146	13	40
West Liberty.....	2	25	225	75	100	50	200	14	---
Wilton.....	1	18	125	50	55	20	100	18	75
Total.....	36	440	3266	1116	1039	433	2332	343	494

NEWTON

Newton.....	1	29	130	49	69	32	115	29	---
Newton Circuit.....	4	60	293	---	---	25	200	55	---
Brooklyn.....	1	19	160	46	84	30	88	17	37
Grinnell.....	1	18	92	45	33	14	85	18	25
Kellogg.....	4	40	200	52	48	50	146	30	15
Kosta.....	4	40	180	---	---	---	---	40	---
Lynnville.....	3	18	110	---	40	24	80	---	---
Malcolm.....	4	26	180	---	---	---	120	---	---
Marengo.....	1	24	170	50	90	30	125	24	50
Millersburg.....	3	28	100	---	---	---	---	28	---
Montezuma.....	1	16	150	70	50	30	100	15	45
North Liberty.....	2	16	118	67	25	26	85	16	43
North Newton Circuit.....	5	36	213	95	90	28	136	36	---
Pleasant Hill.....	4	36	235	98	75	62	155	35	50
Tiffin.....	2	15	125	---	---	---	---	---	---
Victor.....	2	19	145	---	---	34	103	17	---
Williamsburg.....	4	35	215	110	65	40	138	29	50
Total.....	46	475	2816	682	669	425	1676	389	315

OSKALOOSA

Oskaloosa—First Church.....	1	6	160	---	---	15	125	18	---
" Simpson.....	1	24	150	50	70	30	130	24	50
" Wesley Chapel.....	1	10	65	---	---	---	45	---	---
Attica.....	5	40	300	---	---	---	250	100	50
Bellefontaine.....	6	40	440	250	190	---	380	35	100
Eddyville.....	1	8	75	50	12	15	58	6	7
Fremont.....	6	80	340	---	---	---	240	60	12
Kirkville.....	2	30	180	---	---	30	160	29	---
Knoxville.....	1	32	228	107	86	35	146	24	---
Knoxville Circuit.....	3	18	100	40	60	---	---	---	---
New Sharon.....	1	15	161	---	---	---	95	16	25
Otley.....	3	30	120	---	---	---	---	---	---
Pella.....	2	28	144	---	---	---	180	20	---
Peoria.....	4	45	240	---	---	---	52	45	100
Springfield.....	7	70	397	---	---	---	330	---	---
Union.....	4	31	147	78	58	15	119	28	39
Webster.....	3	26	150	---	---	---	---	---	---
Total.....	51	533	3397	565	476	120	2310	405	383

STATISTICS—1874.

DISTRICT.

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								Salary.	Rent.	P. E.	Salary.	Rent.	P. E.	
23	1000	\$ 245 00	175	---	33	---	60	\$1,500	\$ 150	\$ 174	\$1,500	\$ 150	\$ 174	---
50	550	53 00	145	---	15	---	---	800	---	100	800	---	100	---
2	100	69 00	120	50	18	50	25	800	120	60	700	120	60	---
5	---	12 25	---	50	---	---	---	800	---	64	800	---	59	---
30	400	10 00	20	---	---	12	---	550	---	50	475	---	50	---
4	300	70 00	115	---	8	---	250	600	---	88	600	---	88	---
7	---	30 00	100	---	18	---	---	600	---	50	600	---	50	---
2	200	25 00	50	50	16	---	---	600	---	100	505	---	63	---
2	400	106 70	48	10	7	10	34	600	---	60	400	---	50	---
2	150	56 00	100	26	6	10	---	900	---	100	525	---	100	---
38	---	95 00	200	---	10	---	---	700	---	50	710	---	50	---
30	300	40 00	40	---	20	40	30	850	---	100	850	---	100	---
---	300	150 00	50	---	3	---	---	1,000	---	100	1,000	---	100	---
---	295	160 00	160	---	32	---	125	900	---	70	900	---	70	---
163	3995	\$1,116 95	1323	186	209	158	524	\$13,100	\$ 270	\$1,241	\$11,265	\$ 270	\$1,189	---

DISTRICT.

10	---	\$ 60 00	100	---	13	---	---	\$ 900	---	\$ 100	\$ 900	---	\$ 100	---
5	300	50 00	54	---	32	---	---	800	100	100	800	100	100	---
12	223	45 00	56	---	30	---	---	1,000	72	100	1,000	72	100	---
20	300	75 00	75	---	12	---	---	1,000	---	68	1,000	---	68	---
14	300	64 73	125	25	20	---	---	800	---	75	800	---	75	---
200	75	19 00	60	60	15	60	24	800	---	84	800	---	84	---
39	150	40 00	50	---	14	---	15	500	72	56	457	72	56	---
25	600	70 51	80	100	10	---	---	750	120	70	675	100	63	---
8	---	---	80	---	20	100	20	1,000	---	100	1,000	---	100	---
2	100	60 00	18	---	12	---	---	600	120	68	600	120	68	---
347	2273	\$ 819 60	1030	441	269	313	347	850	---	70	780	---	64	---
---	---	35 00	50	---	7	---	---	700	---	70	619	---	70	---
---	---	49 59	111	93	20	18	26	1,000	---	52	900	---	52	---
---	---	140 00	50	15	8	30	12	700	---	90	700	---	90	---
---	---	25 00	80	30	15	30	160	800	---	68	785	---	67	---
---	---	35 37	75	---	14	75	---	700	108	68	678	108	68	---
---	---	50 40	64	---	27	---	90	675	---	60	647	---	60	---
347	2273	\$ 819 60	1030	441	269	313	347	\$13,575	\$ 592	\$1,299	\$13,141	\$ 572	\$1,285	---

DISTRICT.

6	950	\$ 42 00	200	---	28	---	---	\$1,200	---	\$ 100	\$ 1,200	---	\$ 100	---
5	220	60 00	150	---	24	---	---	1,000	150	85	1,000	150	85	---
10	300	50 00	50	25	---	20	---	300	---	16	250	---	10	---
20	78	40 00	60	---	17	---	---	700	---	85	555	---	85	---
12	350	50 00	50	---	5	50	75	650	60	85	650	60	85	---
10	500	20 25	10	---	22	---	---	800	75	50	407	75	30	---
---	---	85 00	80	50	22	50	30	800	---	80	800	---	47	---
---	---	63 00	100	---	25	---	---	800	---	70	800	---	70	---
3	100	40 00	---	---	14	---	100	800	150	100	800	150	100	---
16	237	180 00	54	24	12	24	---	325	---	40	240	---	35	---
---	---	158 00	20	---	12	---	30	650	---	60	500	---	60	---
---	---	20 00	25	---	6	---	---	475	---	60	475	---	60	---
---	---	51 30	340	20	---	20	---	800	108	80	800	108	60	---
---	---	8 55	---	---	12	---	---	700	---	85	650	---	71	---
---	---	35 00	40	40	8	40	100	820	30	80	820	30	80	---
109	4004	\$ 900 10	1119	159	207	204	335	500	25	60	500	25	60	---
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	570	---	70	410	---	50	---
109	4004	\$ 900 10	1119	159	207	204	335	\$11,890	\$598	\$1,190	\$10,607	\$598	\$1,078	---

SUNDAY SCHOOL

OTTUMWA

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	No. of Sunday Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars of all ages.	Scholars 15 y'rs old and over.	Scholars under 15, except In- fant Class.	No. Scholars in Infant Class.	Average Attendance of Teachers and Scholars.	No. of Officers and Teachers who are Church Members or Probationers.	No. of Scholars who are Ch'ch Members or Probationers.
Ottumwa—First Church.....	1	27	220	—	—	150	—	—	—
“ Main Street.....	3	27	250	—	—	40	175	27	33
“ Mission.....	3	22	100	44	56	—	80	15	45
Albia.....	1	27	200	109	70	21	149	19	—
Albia Circuit.....	5	50	300	150	100	50	200	40	100
Bloomfield.....	1	26	210	—	—	70	175	25	70
Centerville.....	1	14	100	75	15	10	85	14	40
Chillicothe.....	4	30	125	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cincinnati.....	6	58	250	100	100	50	180	50	90
Drakeville.....	1	12	90	—	—	—	65	12	—
Hamilton.....	6	44	330	220	70	40	250	40	36
Jerome.....	3	24	100	63	40	11	90	60	50
Marysville.....	5	45	150	100	40	10	135	45	60
Melrose.....	4	30	175	75	100	—	150	26	60
Moulton.....	3	32	301	85	82	34	135	32	85
Unionville.....	2	16	130	66	60	10	70	15	65
West Grove and Stiles.....	4	39	180	—	—	—	125	82	71
Total.....	53	513	3211	1087	733	496	2064	502	805

RECAPITULATION

BURLINGTON.....	36	404	2740	906	781	475	1794	327	378
KEOKUK.....	37	388	2815	1073	736	520	1563	339	495
MOUNT PLEASANT.....	41	506	3280	1267	798	708	2228	324	857
MUSCATINE.....	36	440	3266	1116	1039	433	2332	343	494
NEWTON.....	46	475	2816	682	669	425	1676	389	315
OSKALOOSA.....	51	533	3397	565	476	120	2310	405	383
OTTUMWA.....	53	513	3211	1087	733	496	2064	502	805
Total this year.....	300	3250	21525	6696	4627	3177	13967	2629	3727
Total last year.....	296	3207	21902	5960	5336	2562	14913	2159	3879
Increase.....	4	43	—	736	—	615	—	470	—
Decrease.....	—	—	377	—	709	—	946	—	152

STATISTICS—1874.

DISTRICT.

No. of Conversions.	No. of Library Books.	Total Expenses of School this year.	No. S. S. Advocates taken.	No. S. S. Class-mates taken.	No. S. S. Journalists taken.	No. Good News taken.	No. of Picture Lesson Papers taken.	CLAIMS OF PASTORS.			RECEIPTS OF PASTORS.			Per Cent.
								Salary.	Rent.	P. E.	Salary.	Rent.	P. E.	
10	500	\$ 150 00	150		23			\$1,200	-----	\$ 114	\$ 1,200	-----	\$ 114	-----
30	350	115 00	100	100	18	100	30	1,200	-----	79	1,200	-----	79	-----
40			1		3		120	300	-----		279	-----	5	-----
40	350	32 00	140	100	15	100	50	1,200	-----	114	1,200	-----	114	-----
9	200	50 50	80	20	24	40		433	-----	77	400	-----	77	-----
35		35 00	50		21	50	50	1,000	-----	120	1,000	-----	120	-----
					15		25	850	-----	93	844	-----	83	-----
54	225	28 00	76	15		18	23	500	75	80	400	75	65	-----
	200	16 00	50	20	6	20		575	-----	67	500	-----	62	-----
6	110	95 00	100	58	7	24		500	-----	63	429	-----	47	-----
5		10 68	50	50			50	340	-----	77	450	-----	63	-----
30		14 25	25					400	-----	60	340	-----	77	-----
4	90	36 00	30	30		30		375	-----	52	385	-----	60	-----
62		21 00	25		4			475	-----	62	263	-----	52	-----
20	250	25 00	68	16	6	16		500	-----	77	424	-----	54	-----
	350	148 00	6	94	1	94	120	675	120	83	398	-----	60	-----
											606	73	83	-----
345	2625	\$826 43	951	503	143	492	468	\$11,023	\$ 195	\$1,295	\$10,318	\$ 148	\$1,215	-----

BY DISTRICTS.

42	4777	\$1,180 49	894	102	193	180	42	\$11,620	\$691	\$1,072	\$10,551	\$ 691	\$1,072	91½
52	3724	876 96	839	222	199	180	330	9,012	885	1,124	7,964	854	1,036	88½
164	504	114 81	838	190	144	189	217	10,050	415	1,227	9,018	415	1,193	90½
163	3995	1,116 96	1323	186	209	158	524	13,100	270	1,241	11,265	270	1,189	86½
347	2273	819 60	1030	441	269	313	347	13,575	592	1,299	13,141	572	1,285	97
109	4004	900 10	1119	159	207	204	335	11,590	598	1,190	10,607	598	1,078	91½
345	2625	826 43	951	503	143	492	468	11,023	195	1,295	10,318	148	1,215	93½
1222	21902	\$5,831 35	6994	1703	1364	1716	2263	\$80,070	\$3,646	\$8,448	\$71,864	\$3,548	\$8,168	-----
960	26781	6,776 64	5550	1422	954	1665	1506	77,486	3,039	8,458	71,103	2,789	7,916	-----
262			1444	281	410	51	757	\$2,584	\$ 607	-----	\$ 761	\$ 759	\$ 152	-----
	4879	\$ 944 29								\$ 10				-----

THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
IOWA CONFERENCE
MISSIONARY SOCIETY,
1873-74.

A.—REPORT OF SECRETARY.

ANNIVERSARY.

The Thirty-First Anniversary of Iowa Conference Missionary Society was held in the M. E. Tabernacle, Bloomfield, Iowa, September 17th, 1874, 7½ P. M.

At the close of a missionary prayer meeting, conducted by J. A. Wilson, the Treasurer submitted his annual report, after which Rev. T. M. Eddy, D. D., Missionary Secretary, addressed the large audience. It was an extraordinary effort, and will add dollars as well as sentiment, to our missionary work.

ADDRESSES FOR 1875.

The Board of Managers appointed Dennis Murphy and G. N. Power as speakers for the next Anniversary.

LIFE MEMBERS OF MISSIONARY SOCIETIES.

PARENT SOCIETY.

Baumer, Charles	Kemble, Mary P.	Shaff, Fannie
Gibbons, A. D.	Myers, Mrs. E. J.	Shaumburg, Louisa
Gibbons, M. C.	Palmer, Emma L.	Zimmerman, R. K.
Gardner, E. H.		

CONFERENCE SOCIETY.

Allender, R. B.	Helmick, Mary E.	McCall, George
Anderson, Joshua	Huston, Samuel	Moore, Maggie
Anderson, Martha	Hench, Kate	Peterson, John
AcGill, Jennie	Hummer, W.	Palmer, S. C.
Britton, May	Jackson, H. J.	Proudfit, Margaret
Britton, Rachel	Keen, Emma	Richardson, J. H.
Cole, J. A.	Knight, Samuel	Ramey, Augusta
Davis, John	Kemble, I. O.	Smith, D. C.
Ellis, J. M.	Love, Flora	Shaw, James S.
Fields, A. T.	Londy, Mary E.	Stuck, Peter
Fields, Mariah	Ledwick, D. E.	Stuck, Augusta
Fisher, Joseph	Love, Mary	Thompson, Mollie
Graham, Dora	Lanning, L.	Van Benthusen, William
Gilbert, Victoria	Myers, Edward M.	Van Benthusen, Mrs.
Harbeson, Anna	McMillen, James	Wells, B. B.
Haines, A. W.		

JUVENILE.

Cole, Harry

Kemble, John A.

IRA O. KEMBLE, Secretary.

B.—REPORT OF TREASURER.

BURLINGTON DISTRICT.—I. A. BRADICK, P. E.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	PREACHERS.	From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Totals	Increase.	Decrease.	Average per Member.
Burlington—Division St.....	W. H. H. Pillsbury.....	\$ 45 00	\$ 25 00	\$ 70 00	-----	\$ 41 00	35
" —Old Zion.....	J. B. Blakeney.....	30 00	51 82	111 82	1 23	-----	58
" —South.....	J. G. Barton.....	-----	20 00	20 00	14 44	-----	24
" Circuit.....	A. Robinson.....	30 00	-----	30 00	5 56	-----	20
Canaan.....	T. E. Corkhill.....	38 40	-----	38 40	8 15	-----	30
Danville.....	G. W. Byrkit.....	24 00	-----	24 00	-----	3 00	14
Dodgeville.....	W. M. Brown.....	11 00	-----	11 00	-----	7 00	8
Kossuth.....	E. J. Pike.....	94 25	42 50	136 75	54 75	-----	52
Marshall.....	N. Wells.....	50 50	5 00	55 50	11 40	-----	23
Morning Sun.....	M. Bamford.....	31 35	-----	31 35	1 35	-----	24
Mt. Pleasant Circuit.....	I. P. Teter.....	60 30	-----	60 30	7 11	-----	33
New London.....	J. R. Reasoner.....	11 65	-----	11 65	11 65	-----	11
Wapello & Columbus City.....	M. See.....	15 00	-----	15 00	8 00	-----	15
Winfield.....	A. Orr.....	75 00	-----	75 00	27 00	-----	28
Totals.....	-----	\$516 45	\$174 32	\$690 77	\$150 64	\$51 00	27

KEOKUK DISTRICT—JOHN HAYNES, P. E.

Bentonsport.....	W. H. H. Smith.....	\$ 29 00	-----	\$ 29 00	-----	4 60	19
Bonaparte.....	A. W. Haines.....	38 50	-----	38 50	18 50	-----	26
Fort Madison.....	C. P. Reynolds.....	32 90	8 10	41 00	25 10	-----	34
Independent.....	John Davis.....	54 25	-----	54 25	34 25	-----	36
Keokuk—Chatham Square.....	J. W. Chaffin.....	30 10	76 00	106 10	-----	28 90	47
" —First Church.....	S. S. Murphy.....	27 90	52 10	80 00	10 00	-----	36
Keosauqua.....	C. S. Cooper.....	10 50	-----	10 50	-----	4 75	6
Lebanon.....	S. H. Thomas.....	63 17	-----	63 17	-----	18 93	28
Milton.....	George Swanston.....	86 60	-----	86 60	21 60	-----	39
Montrose.....	W. E. Patterson.....	27 70	-----	27 70	-----	13 40	46
Troy.....	J. W. Cheney.....	62 00	-----	62 00	12 00	-----	37
West Point.....	B. Holland.....	10 00	5 00	15 00	-----	40 00	9
Winchester.....	J. S. Ferguson.....	79 70	-----	79 70	-----	2 30	45
Totals.....	-----	\$552 32	\$141 20	\$693 52	\$121 45	\$112 88	31

MT. PLEASANT DISTRICT—W. F. COWLES, P. E.

Agency City.....	O. P. Light.....	\$ 62 90	\$ 7 10	\$ 70 00	-----	50 00	22
Batavia.....	Jesse Craig.....	86 40	-----	86 40	-----	20	28
Birmingham.....	H. E. Wing.....	65 65	4 35	70 00	23 75	-----	29
Brighton.....	G. H. Clark.....	36 85	-----	36 85	-----	47 35	21
Fairfield—Church Street.....	J. H. Miller.....	6 00	21 30	27 30	27 30	-----	17
" —Harmony, &c.....	E. H. Waring.....	17 10	-----	17 10	-----	27 90	8
Glendale.....	W. S. Mahan.....	40 00	-----	40 00	-----	10 40	23
Martinsburg.....	J. P. Rice.....	35 00	-----	35 00	22 50	-----	30
Mt. Pleasant—Asbury.....	G. N. Power.....	168 00	115 70	283 70	8 02	-----	104
" —Henry Street.....	John Hayden.....	1 00	-----	1 00	1 00	-----	2
" —Main Street.....	A. P. Morrison.....	70 00	30 00	100 00	-----	-----	50
Richland.....	W. I. Miller.....	27 00	-----	27 00	1 00	-----	15
Salem.....	J. T. Coleman.....	17 00	-----	17 00	-----	7 75	9
Totals.....	-----	\$632 90	\$178 45	\$811 35	\$83 57	\$143 60	28

MUSCATINE DISTRICT—J. C. BROWN, P. E.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	PREACHERS.	From Churches	From Sunday Schools.	Totals	Increase.	Decrease.	Average per Member.
Ainsworth.....	O. C. Shelton.....	\$ 50 00	.....	\$ 50 00	\$ 22 50	.....	28
Blue Grass.....	J. B. Hardy.....	35 25	.....	35 25	12 25	.....	29
Coneville.....	Thomas Pell.....	5 00	.....	5 00	.....	\$ 10 50	12
Eureka.....	E. W. Twining.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32 75	.....
Grand View.....	B. F. Kearns.....	31 00	\$ 9 00	40 00	.....	22 00	35
Keota.....	B. F. Gortner.....	27 50	.....	27 50	22 50	.....	24
Lexington.....	J. Elrod.....	73 50	.....	73 50	.....	8 35	59
Muscatine Station.....	J. W. McDonald.....	100 00	178 00	278 00	.....	22 30	85
" Circuit.....	R. Stephenson.....	50 00	.....	50 00	1 75	.....	30
Pleasant Valley.....	L. O. Housel.....	17 54	.....	17 54	54	.....	19
Richmond.....	W. Poston.....	40 00	6 00	46 00	.....	60	18
Sigourney.....	J. R. Noble.....	10 75	.....	10 75	.....	19 25	11
Sweetland Centre & Durant.....	C. S. Jennis.....	43 10	.....	43 10	6 60	.....	20
Washington.....	W. J. Spaulding.....	39 00	34 55	73 55	.....	28 40	42
West Liberty.....	J. S. Rankin.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	26 60	.....
Wilton.....	D. Murphy.....	70 80	42 24	113 04	50 79	.....	71
Totals.....	.....	\$593 44	\$269 79	\$863 23	\$116 93	\$170 75	31

NEWTON DISTRICT—B. MARK, P. E.

Brooklyn.....	L. P. Causey.....	\$ 49 00	\$ 16 00	\$ 65 00	.....	\$ 18 55	30
Grinnell.....	W. G. Wilson.....	60 00	.....	60 00	\$ 21 89	.....	46
Kellogg.....	J. M. Coats.....	75 00	.....	75 00	46 30	.....	45
Kosta.....	D. C. Bevan.....	110 00	.....	110 00	9 90	.....	63
Lynnville.....	G. Nulton.....	45 00	.....	45 00	.....	11 95	48
Malcom.....	W. H. Honn.....	70 00	.....	70 00	.....	9 05	50
Marengo.....	D. C. Smith.....	104 23	60 72	165 00	50 00	.....	110
Millersburgh.....	J. T. McFarland.....	40 00	.....	40 00	15 30	.....	36
Montezuma.....	W. G. Thorn.....	72 50	7 50	80 00	15 00	.....	80
Newton.....	I. N. Busby.....	55 75	10 00	65 75	.....	49 25	32
" Circuit.....	J. W. Robinson.....	192 00	.....	192 00	59 00	.....	96
North Liberty.....	A. V. Francis.....	45 00	.....	45 00	.....	13 59	30
" Newton Circuit.....	R. J. Kenyon.....	63 83	2 17	66 00	59 70	.....	77
Pleasant Hill.....	T. C. Miller.....	210 00	.....	210 00	68 00	.....	112
Tiffin.....	J. E. Corley.....	45 00	.....	45 00	7 08	.....	62
Victor.....	S. Hestwood.....	50 00	10 00	60 00	.....	17 50	57
Williamsburgh.....	E. P. Michener.....	60 45	2 57	63 02	.....	5 54	45
Totals.....	.....	1,347 81	108 96	1,456 77	352 89	125 43	60

OSKALOOSA DISTRICT—J. B. HILL, P. E.

Attica.....	John Harris.....	\$174 50	.....	\$174 50	.....	\$ 30 53	80
Bellefontaine.....	T. J. Myers.....	91 50	.....	91 50	.....	13 50	32
Eddyville.....	C. Morey.....	12 00	.....	12 00	\$ 1 70	.....	15
Fremont.....	J. M. Mann.....	50 00	.....	50 00	.....	6 45	20
Kirkville.....	A. McClintock.....	103 00	\$ 25 00	128 00	3 00	.....	52
Knoxville Station.....	E. L. Briggs.....	29 50	31 95	61 45	.....	16 35	30
" Circuit.....	A. C. Keeler.....	4 00	.....	4 00	.....	4 00	4
New Sharon.....	J. G. Thompson.....	17 55	.....	17 55	.....	34 75	14
Oskaloosa—First Church.....	C. B. Clark.....	62 00	42 00	104 00	4 00	.....	52
" —Simpson Ch'pl.....	C. L. Stafford.....	.....	119 60	119 60	26 26	.....	51
" —Wesley Chapel.....	T. J. Marshall.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....
Otley.....	E. Sampson.....	20 00	.....	20 00	.....	11 50	11
Pella.....	U. B. Smith.....	36 75	.....	36 75	20 90	.....	31
Peoria.....	B. F. Shane.....	55 60	.....	55 60	5 60	.....	20
Springfield.....	A. V. Kendrick.....	42 00	.....	42 00	6 00	.....	18
Union.....	J. L. King.....	28 00	.....	28 00	3 00	.....	14
Webster.....	J. C. Kendrick.....	20 00	.....	20 00	.....	28 00	11
Totals.....	.....	746 40	218 55	964 95	70 46	148 08	27

OTTUMWA DISTRICT—R. B. ALLENDER, P. E.

CIRCUITS AND STATIONS.	PREACHERS.	From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Totals.	Increase.	Decrease.	Average per Member.
Albia Station.....	T. Stephenson.....	\$ 85 15	\$ 38 36	\$123 51	-----	\$ 88 81	52
" Circuit.....	A. R. Jones.....	58 00	-----	58 00	\$ 16 55	-----	29
Bloomfield.....	I. O. Kemble.....	150 00	50 00	200 00	43 23	-----	87
Gentreville.....	J. A. Wilson.....	10 50	-----	10 50	-----	24 58	8
Chillicothe.....	L. S. Ashbaugh.....	10 00	-----	10 00	-----	34 00	5
Cincinnati.....	John Orr.....	42 00	-----	42 00	32 70	-----	15
Drakeville.....	C. W. Shepherd.....	28 00	-----	28 00	-----	1 24	21
Hamilton.....	John Potter.....	44 60	-----	44 60	4 10	-----	27
Jerome.....	F. H. Carey.....	42 35	-----	42 35	14 35	-----	22
Marysville.....	R. A. Carnine.....	44 30	-----	44 30	11 30	-----	25
Melrose.....	J. G. Armistead.....	20 00	-----	20 00	-----	38 00	15
Moulton.....	D. T. Monroe.....	20 55	-----	20 55	6 10	-----	13
Ottumwa—First Church.....	J. T. Simmons.....	95 67	75 00	170 67	69 02	-----	82
" —Main Street.....	E. L. Schreiner.....	4 00	50 00	54 00	-----	22 10	25
Unionville.....	C. R. Norton.....	42 00	-----	42 00	4 00	-----	18
West Grove and Stiles.....	D. B. Smith.....	41 40	-----	41 40	-----	12 15	18
Ottumwa Circuit.....	W. W. Brown.....	15 00	-----	15 00	2 04	-----	14
Totals.....	-----	753 52	213 36	966 88	203 39	220 88	28

RECAPITULATION BY DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	PRESIDING ELDERS.	From Churches.	From Sunday Schools.	Totals.	Increase.	Decrease.	Average per Member.
Burlington.....	I. A. Bradrick.....	\$ 516 45	\$ 174 32	\$ 690 77	\$ 99 64	-----	27
Keokuk.....	John Haynes.....	552 32	141 20	693 52	8 57	-----	31
Mount Pleasant.....	W. F. Cowles.....	632 90	178 45	811 35	-----	\$ 60 03	28
Muscatine.....	J. C. Brown.....	593 44	269 79	863 23	-----	53 82	31
Newton.....	B. Mark.....	1,347 81	108 96	1,456 77	227 46	-----	60
Oskaloosa.....	J. B. Hill.....	746 40	218 55	964 95	-----	77 62	27
Ottumwa.....	R. B. Allender.....	753 52	213 36	966 88	-----	17 49	28
Totals from Circuits and Stations.....	-----	\$5,142 84	\$1,304 63	\$6,447 47	\$335 67	\$208 96	33
Total Increase.....	-----	-----	-----	-----	\$126 71	-----	-----

BANNER MARK,

Treasurer of Iowa Conference Missionary Society,

	DR.	CR.
To amount of collections from Circuits and Stations.....	\$6,447 47	-----
By cash paid Hitchcock & Walden, per C. O. Edwards.....	-----	\$5,788 39
By amount forwarded during year.....	-----	570 65
By cash paid E. H. Waring for publication of minutes of 1874.....	-----	50 00
By cash on hand.....	-----	38 43
Totals.....	\$6,447 47	\$6,447 47

By C. W. SHEPHERD, Assistant.

BANNER MARK, Treasurer.

September 16th, 1874.

LIST OF PREACHERS OF IOWA CONFERENCE.

1874.

N. B.—“E” is for Effective Elder; “D” for Deacon; “P” for Probationer; “Sy” for Supernumerary; “Sup” for Superannuated. All the Post-offices are in Iowa.

NAMES.	Entered Itineracy.	CONFERENCE.	Entered Iowa Conf.	P. O. ADDRESS.
Allender, Richard B.—E	1854	Iowa	1854	Bloomfield, Davis County.
Ashbaugh, Levi S.—E	1853	“	1855	East Melrose, Monroe County.
Bamford, Morris—D	1871	“	1871	Kossuth, Des Moines
Barton, James G.—E	1868	“	1868	Burlington, “
Belknap, Augustus J.—P	1874	“	1874	Wapello, Louisa
Bevan, David C.—E	1870	“	1870	North Liberty, Johnson
Blakeney, J. B.—E	1852	West Virginia	1870	Burlington, Des Moines
Bradrick, I. A.—E	1851	Ohio	1856	Mt. Pleasant, Henry
Briggs, E. L.—E	1851	Iowa	1851	Wilton, Muscatine
Brown, John C.—E	1853	Pittsburgh	1865	Muscatine, “
Burgess, John—Sy	1844	North Ohio	1858	Keokuk, Lee
Busby, Isaac N.—E	1868	Iowa	1868	Newton, Jasper
Byrkit, George W.—E	1857	“	1857	Danville, Des Moines
Carnine, Robert A.—P	1873	“	1873	Moulton Appanoose
Carrier, Marcus—Sy	1851	Oneida	1857	Albia, Monroe
Carroll, Lafayette C.—P	1874	Iowa	1874	Drakeville, Davis
Causey, Luther P.—E	1868	New England	1871	Grinnell, Poweshiek
Chaffin, John W.—E	1848	Wesleyan	1870	Washington, Washington
Cheney, Joseph W.—E	1869	Iowa	1869	Troy, Davis
Clark, Charles B.—E	1864	“	1864	Oskaloosa, Mahaska
Clark, George H.—E	1851	“	1851	Brighton, Washington
Coats, James M.—E	1860	“	1860	Kellogg, Jasper
Coddington, Eli H.—Sup	1865	“	1865	Mt. Pleasant, Henry
Coleman, James T.—E	1847	“	1847	Martinsburgh, Keokuk
Cooper, Charles S.—E	“	“	1874	Keosauqua, Van Buren
Cockhill, Thomas E.—E	1851	Iowa	1851	Mt. Pleasant, Henry
Corley, Joseph E.—D	1871	“	1871	Newton, Jasper
Cowles, William F.—E	1843	Michigan	1851	Mt. Pleasant, Henry
Coxe, J. C. W.—E	“	“	1874	Burlington, Des Moines
Craig, Jesse—E	1845	Pittsburgh	1855	West Point, Lee
Davis, John—E	1869	New Connection, Can.	1871	Keota, Keokuk
Elrod, John—Sy	1855	Iowa	1855	Washington, Washington
Ferguson, John S.—E	1865	“	1865	Salem, Henry
Ferguson, Samuel R.—D	1872	Des Moines	1874	Lynnville, Jasper
Francis, Arthur V.—D	1872	Iowa	1872	Windham, Johnson
Gassner, Joseph—Sy	1836	Ohio	1854	Mt. Pleasant, Henry
Groome, William N.—P	1874	Iowa	1874	Batavia, Jefferson
Haines, Aaron W.—E	1869	“	1869	Bonaparte, Van Buren
Hardy, Joshua B.—E	1842	Rock River	1944	Blue Grass, Scott
Haris, John—E	1845	Iowa	1845	Attica, Marion
Hayden, John—Sup	1841	Rock River	1844	Libertyville, Jefferson
Haynes, James—Sy	1855	Iowa	1855	Albia, Monroe
Haynes, John—E	1857	“	1857	Mt. Pleasant, Henry
Hestwood, Samuel—Sy	1853	“	1853	Victor, Iowa
Hill, John B.—E	1852	West Virginia	1857	Agency City, Wapello
Holland, Benjamin—Sup	1853	Iowa	1853	Batavia, Jefferson
Holtzinger, Peter F.—Sy	1843	Ohio	1854	Mt. Pleasant, Henry
Honn, William H.—E	1867	Iowa	1867	Williamsburgh, Iowa
Housel, Lauren O.—P	1873	“	1873	Lone Tree, Johnson
Hunter, James—P	1873	“	1873	Montrose, Lee
Hurt, William S.—P	1873	“	1873	Union Mills, Makaska
Jennis, Chesley S.—E	1859	“	1859	Sweetland Centre, Muscat’e
Johnson, Allen W.—Sup	1843	Rock River	1844	Chillicothe, Wapello
Jones, Alvan R.—D	1872	Iowa	1872	Albia, Monroe

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Kearns, Benjamin F.— <i>D</i>	1871	Iowa.....	1871	Richmond, Washington County.
Keeler, Augustus C.— <i>P</i>	1873	".....	1873	Springfield, Keokuk
Kemble, Ira O.— <i>E</i>	1865	".....	1865	Albia, Monroe
Kendrick, Americus V.— <i>P</i>	1873	".....	1873	Springfield, Keokuk
Kendrick, John C.— <i>E</i>	1869	".....	1869	Marshall, Henry
Kenyon, Randall J.— <i>E</i>	1867	".....	1867	Kosta, Iowa
Kershaw, Andrew— <i>P</i>	1874	".....	1874	Otley, Marion
King, James L.— <i>E</i>	1870	".....	1870	Mt. Pleasant, Henry
Light, Oliver P.— <i>E</i>	1852	Illinois.....	1867	Birmingham, Van Buren
McClintock, Alfred— <i>E</i>	1865	Upper Iowa.....	1870	West Liberty, Muscatine
McCutchen, James H.— <i>Sup</i>	1839	Ohio.....	1857	New Boston, Lee
McDonald, J. Wilbur— <i>E</i>	1866	Iowa.....	1866	Muscatine, Muscatine
McDowell, Joseph— <i>Sup</i>	1830	Ohio.....	1849	Mt. Pleasant, Henry
McFarland, John T.— <i>P</i>	1873	Iowa.....	1873	Millersburgh, Iowa
Mann, James M.— <i>E</i>	1866	".....	1866	Bellefontaine, Mahaska
Mark, Banner— <i>E</i>	1846	Ohio.....	1860	Oskaloosa, "
Michener, Enoch P.— <i>D</i>	1872	Iowa.....	1872	Malcom, Poweshiek
Miller, Jacob H.— <i>E</i>	1855	California.....	1873	Fairfield, Jefferson
Miller, Thomas C.— <i>E</i>	1870	Iowa.....	1870	Tiffin, Johnson
Miller, William I.— <i>E</i>	1866	".....	1866	Richland, Keokuk
Monroe, David T.— <i>D</i>	1871	".....	1871	Marysville, Marion
Montgomery, Charles H.— <i>P</i>	1873	".....	1873	Winchester, Van Buren
Morey, Cyrus— <i>E</i>	1851	West Virginia.....	1855	New Sharon, Mahaska
Murphy, Dennis— <i>E</i>	1858	Iowa.....	1858	Mt. Pleasant, Henry
Murphy, Samuel S.— <i>E</i>	1868	".....	1868	Keokuk, Lee
Myers, Thomas J.— <i>E</i>	1869	".....	1869	Kirkville, Wapello
Noble, James R.— <i>E</i>	1870	".....	1870	Morning Sun, Louisa
Norton, Charles R.— <i>D</i>	1872	".....	1872	Unionville, Appanoose
Nulton, George— <i>E</i>	1869	".....	1869	Knoxville, Marion
Orr, John— <i>E</i>	1859	".....	1859	Cincinnati, Appanoose
Patterson, William E.— <i>D</i>	1871	".....	1871	Hickory P. O., Van Buren
Pike, Elias J.— <i>E</i>	1868	".....	1868	Columbus City, Louisa
Pillsbury, W. H. H.— <i>E</i>	1867	New Hampshire.....	1871	Keokuk, Lee
Poston, William— <i>E</i>	1855	Iowa.....	1855	Lexington, Washington
Potter, John— <i>E</i>	1870	".....	1870	Chillicothe, Wapello
Power, George N.— <i>E</i>	1856	".....	1856	Ottumwa, "
Pugh, Henry F.— <i>P</i>	1873	".....	1873	Webster, Keokuk
Rankin, James S.— <i>Sy</i>	1867	".....	1867	West Liberty, Muscatine
Reasoner, John R.— <i>E</i>	1862	Kentucky.....	1873	New London, Henry
Reynolds, C. Perry— <i>E</i>	1853	Iowa.....	1853	Fort Madison, Lee
Rice, Joseph P.— <i>D</i>	1871	S. E. Indiana.....	1873	Batavia, Jefferson
Robinson, Anthony— <i>E</i>	1836	Indiana.....	1857	Mt. Pleasant, Henry
Robinson, John W.— <i>E</i>	1869	Iowa.....	1869	Newton, Jasper
Robinson, Richard S.— <i>Sup</i>	1829	Illinois.....	1854	Hamilton, Marion
Runyan, Harrison— <i>Sup</i>	1860	Iowa.....	1860	".....
Sampson, Ezekiel— <i>D</i>	1871	".....	1871	Eddyville, Wapello
Schreiner, Edwin L.— <i>E</i>	1865	".....	1865	Bloomfield, Davis
See, Michael— <i>E</i>	1845	".....	1845	Fremont, Mahaska
Shane, Benjamin F.— <i>E</i>	1869	".....	1869	Peoria, "
Shelton, Orville C.— <i>E</i>	1836	Ohio.....	1852	Ainsworth, Washington
Shepherd, Charles W.— <i>E</i>	1868	Iowa.....	1868	Hamilton, Marion
Simmons, John T.— <i>E</i>	1856	".....	1856	Ottumwa, Wapello
Smith, David B.— <i>E</i>	1869	".....	1869	Centreville, Appanoose
Smith, David C.— <i>E</i>	1864	".....	1864	Marengo, Iowa
Smith, Uriah B.— <i>E</i>	1867	".....	1867	Pella, Marion
Smith, Wm. H. H.— <i>E</i>	1868	".....	1868	Bentonsport, Van Buren
Spaulding, Wesley J.— <i>E</i>	1854	Indiana.....	1856	Fairfield, Jefferson
Stafford, Charles L.— <i>E</i>	1870	Iowa.....	1870	Oskaloosa, Mahaska
Stephenson, Robert— <i>E</i>	1843	Pittsburgh.....	1872	Muscatine, Muscatine
Stephenson, Thomas— <i>E</i>	1864	Southern Illinois.....	1867	Ottumwa, Wapello
Stryker, Almond W.— <i>Sup</i>	1850	Indiana.....	1856	Victor, Iowa
Swanston, George— <i>E</i>	1869	New Connection, Can.....	1871	Lebanon, Van Buren
Teter, Isaac P.— <i>E</i>	1853	Iowa.....	1853	Mt. Pleasant, Henry
Thomas, Samuel H.— <i>E</i>	1860	".....	1860	Milton, Van Buren
Thompson, James G.— <i>E</i>	1853	".....	1853	Sigourney, Keokuk
Thorn, William G.— <i>E</i>	1867	".....	1867	Montezuma, Poweshiek
Twining, Edward W.— <i>E</i>	1846	".....	1846	Washington, Washington
Waring, Edmund H.— <i>E</i>	1849	Baltimore.....	1857	Knoxville, Marion

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Walters, Dennis A.— <i>P</i>	1874	Iowa.....	1874	Grandview, Louisa County.
Wells, Nelson— <i>E</i>	1854	".....	1854	Winfield, Henry " "
Wheeler, John— <i>E</i>	1855	North Ohio.....	1870	Mt. Pleasant, Henry " "
Willey, G. W. F.— <i>P</i>	1874	Iowa.....	1874	" " " " " "
Wilson, James A.— <i>E</i>	1857	".....	1857	" " " " " "
Wilson, William G.— <i>E</i>	1870	".....	1870	Brooklyn, Poweshiek " "
Wing, Henry E.— <i>P</i>	1873	".....	1873	Fairfield, Jefferson " "
Woodford, Lucas C.— <i>Sup</i> ...	1848	".....	1848	Davenport, Scott " "

SUMMARY :

Elders.....	101
Deacons.....	12
Total members of Conference.....	113
Probationers.....	16
Total number of Preachers.....	129
Last year.....	130
Decrease.....	1
Supernumeraries.....	8
Superannuates.....	10
Effective Preachers.....	111
Increase of Effective Preachers.....	3

